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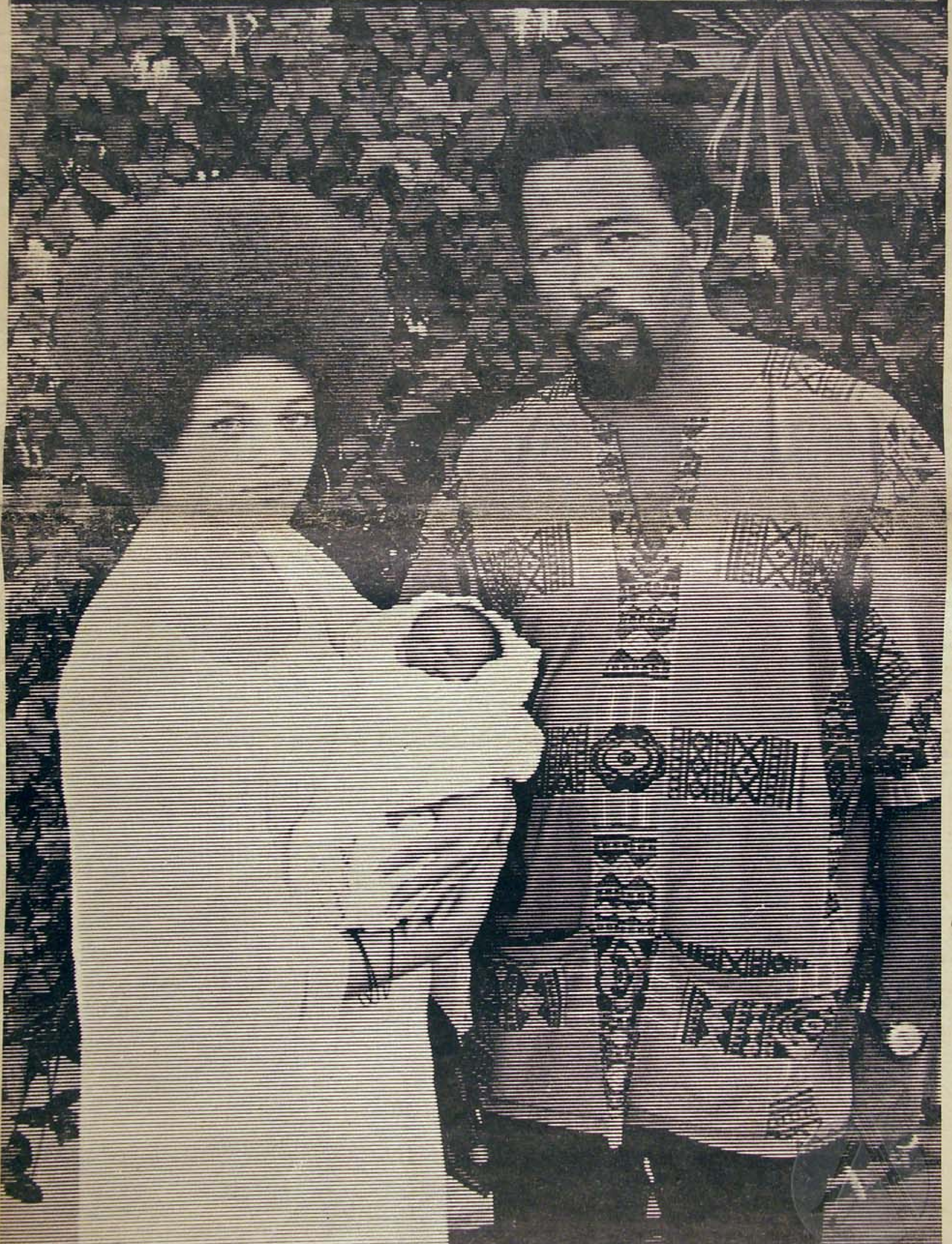
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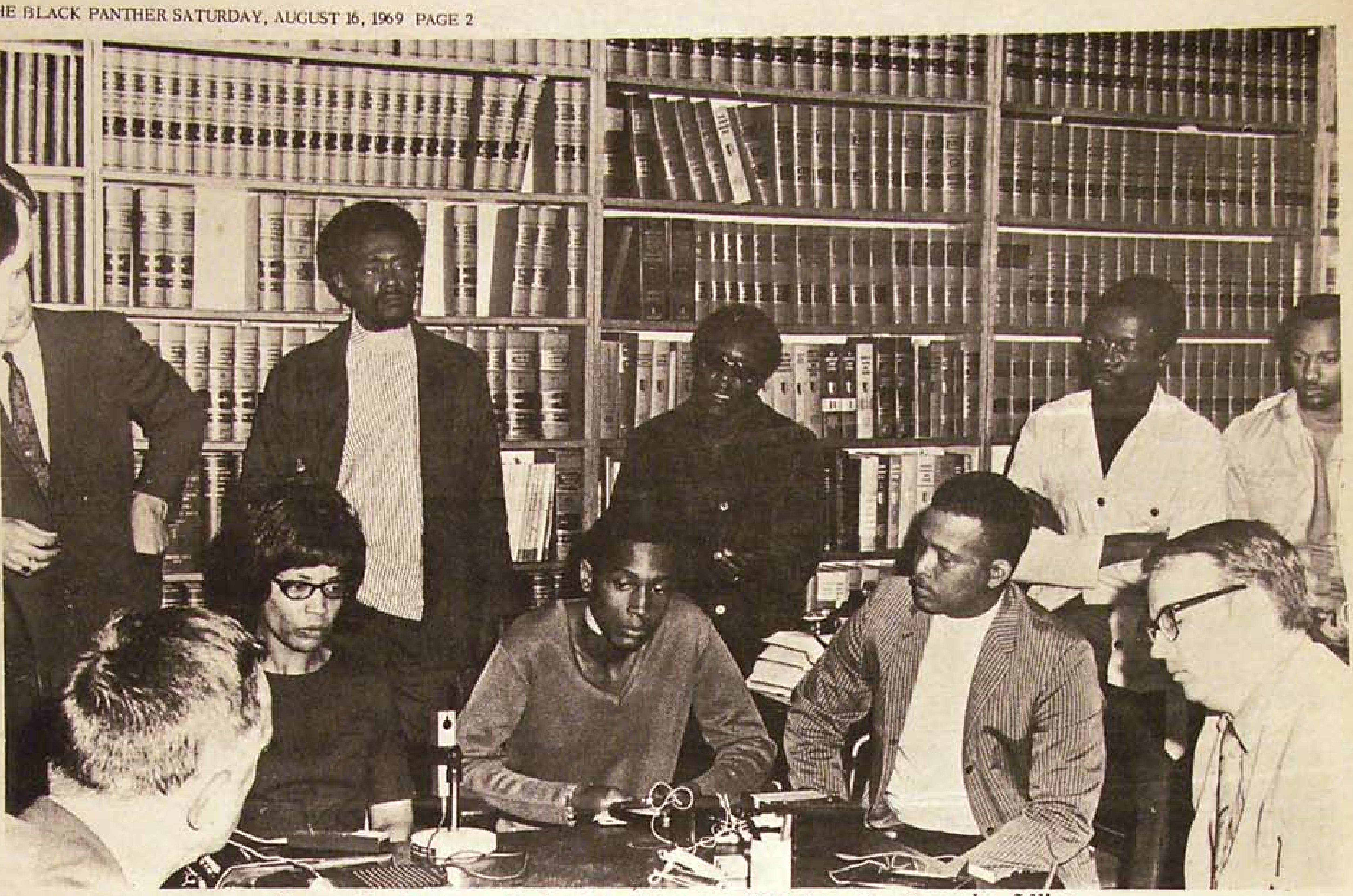
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Press Conference Held In Attorney Charles R. Garry's Office

HUNTERS POINT YOUTH SHOT BY TAC SQUAD

Jimmy Conner , a sixteen year old youth, was shot in the back last Saturday afternoon by San Francisco's fascist Tac Squad pigs. This was an overt attempt to murder another youth in the Black Community. This action follows a pattern set forth by the San Francisco pigs. Their excuse was the usual one -- suspicion of auto theft. They murdered Matthew Johnson in 1966 under this pretext. Just a few weeks ago they murdered Albert Linthcome in cold blood.

The following is taken from a press conference held in Attorney Charles R. Garry's office concerning the incident:

GARRY: You've already met the family, Mr. and Mrs. Conner . But this is Jimmy Conner who was shot in the back in two places on Saturday around 5:00 in the afternoon. Bobby do you want to say a few words?

BOBBY: The Black Panther Party looks at the situation that's developed; and, of course, it's FASCISM. And brother Jimmy Conner who was almost murdered by fascist policemen in Hunter's Point is in a situation almost as, of course, brother Linthcome who was murdered, brother Baskett who was murdered and other people who've been murdered. And it is time that we move with the Community Control of Police petitions in San Francisco (to vote out the existing police department) where we have DECENTRALIZATION of the police; where the Black people are able to control their community, the Mission district and working class white community controlling their area, and the Chinese community can control their predominant area. We'll be circulating the petition in San Francisco to begin to mobilize and move the people to a position of control over police departments -- in fact, creating new departments to serve the people, that don't go out and murder and brutalize. We will move against the fascist state that exists here in San Francisco that Alioto is behind, that Cahill and the rest of the fascist police who are moving in a fashion the same as that of Hitler or Mussolini, when brother Jimmy E. Conner is shot in the back in the front of his home. And that's about the sum of it. But we want to stress on the minds of the people that the Community Control of the Police petition is a move to take the police away from the demagogues, the avaricious bussnessman,; and place them in the community to protect the communities at large: San Francisco, in Oakland and Berkeley.

INTERVIEWER: Bobby, what's the legal wording you're going to have on your petition?

BOBBY: Community Control of Police.
And when it's defined, it's in fact the DECENTRALIZATION of police, the re-establishment of police by a proposition being placed on the ballot, first by circulating petitions in the communities so that the voters, the registered voters can, in fact, vote out the police.

INTERVIEWER: This will be a request for a charter amendment of the city?

BOBBY: It will be a legal right on the part of the people to go forth to actually, in fact, vote out the existing police department in San Francisco.

GARRY: It will be a charter amendment. . . Jimmy, I wonder if you would say a few words as to what happened. And tell it in your own words, would you please? Speak up so you can be heard.

JIMMY: Yesterday about 4:30 we was on our way to a festival down at the park across the street from Candlestick. And we was walking down Engles. And one of my friends, he had knew this man who came up and offered us a ride in his car. So we got in. We were going down Engles and then we got to Carol. We turned at Carol. And then some station wagon, an unmarked station wagon, made a U turn and came behind us. So we went around the Double Rock district and came back up Engles. And the man that was driving, went back to Hunter's Point. And then he picked up speed, going up Engles street. And the car that was behind him followed him. We got up in Hunter's Point. And then he picked up speed going up Engles in Hunter's Point. He went on up Hunter's Point and came down Griffin Hill and turned up on Oakdale, and then he speeded up Oakdale. Then he jumped out of the car and ran. The car was still going. Me and my other two friends, were still in the car. And when the car hit the fence, we jumped out and ran, too. One of them, they caught one of them as soon as he got out of the car. One of my frineds ran up Oakdale. And I turned the corner and ran down. And then I turned back up and was going toward my house when I saw my other friend going down between the fence. So I ran behind him. And as soon as I got behind, the police had came up from around the building. And I ran. I said, "Don't shoot," and I got between the building and started to stop when the bullet hit me in the back and it pushed me. And I went on the other side and I stopped. The police that shot me, came around and told me to stay there. And then he just stopped and aimed the gun at my other friend and told him to stop. And so he stopped and turned around and they got him. And then my mother looked out the window, and then she came down out of the house. . . She came and she tried to get close to me. And the police, he pushed her down and then I tried to get away from him. And then he grabbed me and hit me where the bullet had went in.
And then he dragged me in the grass and one of them hit me on the head with a billy club. And then they put the handcuffs on me and picked me up and threw me inside the paddy wagon and took me to Portrero police station.

INTERVIEWER: Then you say you were just merely riding in the car and the man who owned the car jumped out of it and you and a friend of yours stayed in the car until it hit the fence?

JIMMY: Yes. It hit a fence. We didn't know how to open the doors because it was a new car and we didn't know how the doors opened.

INTERVIEWER: Now, the police claim that the car tried to ram the Tact Squad station wagon. Is that true?

JIMMY: No. We had turned. The station wagon came up like this. We was going up Engles like this. We turned the corner and was going up the street when they turned like this and then came back.

INTERVIEWER: They were chasing you, huh?

JIMMY: I don't know if they was chasing us, but then we got back to Engles, then the speed was picked up.

INTERVIEWER: Did you hear a siren?

JIMMY: No, they had no siren on until the car had hit the fence.

INTERVIEWER: How many were there?

JIMMY: I couldn't say.

INTERVIEWER: You say you started to stop near the building?

JIMMY: Yeh. I was running. I said, "Don't shoot." and I made up my mind I was gonna stop. But between the fence and the building it was too narrow to stop and turn around. So I went to stop, and when I started, the bullet hit me. I just kept running on through the fence and I stopped on the other side.

INTERVIEWER: Where did it hit you?

JIMMY: In the back. Right here.

GARRY: Stand up and show him.

MR CONNER : It went in here, hit the rear bone and came back out. There's another hole here, just a fraction from his spine.

INTERVIEWER: Did you know who the guy was? Did they catch him, the guy who was driving the car?

JIMMY: No.

INTERVIEWER: Do you know him?

JIMMY: No.

INTERVIEWER: Now, why did you run?

JIMMY: Why did I run? Because I'm scared of police.

GARRY: Just a week ago, he was riding with a friend of his who was driving his uncle's car, a Mustang, in Oakland. And the police stopped them without even checking to see whether the car was stolen or not and put him and his friend in juvenile over night. And then they verified the fact that it was in fact the uncle's car and the uncle had given the young man permission to drive the car. That was just a week ago. Isn't that right, Jimmy?

JIMMY: (nods head in affirmation)

GARRY: Now this is the Tact Squad that was doing this. And we intend to file a law suit against the police department. And if the mayor of this town is so busy running for governor of California that he doesn't have time to take care of his homework and he can't take care of business in San Francisco, then maybe we ought to have a new mayor in San Francisco that can discipline and take care of his own police department so that they will not willy-nilly shoot people in the back. Even if he was guilty of this crime, which he is not, there is no excuse to shoot a man just because he's stolen an automobile. All they have to do is to have their police officers do a little running and chase the people to catch the people who allegedly violated the crime without use of a firearm.

INTERVIEWER: What sort of law suit, Mr. Garry

GARRY: We intend to file a law suit in the federal court under

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Hunter s Point Youth Shot

the Civil Rights Act in pointing out that these kinds of actions on the part of the San Francisco Police Department is done for harassment of the Black people in the community. People in the Hunter's Point area, and the Fillmore area, in the ghetto area, get special and different treatment than they do in any other part of San Francisco. I'm sure that they would not have treated a young man belonging to a member of the St. Francis Woods or the Forest Hill area in the manner that they treated Jimmy Conner. Mrs. Conner, would you tell them what you experience was in that?

MRS. CONNER: I had just got home from work. I guess it had been about an hour. I heard -- all I heard was two shots. I raised up the window and I looked out. And they were throwing my son up against the garden. And I saw blood running. And I screamed. I said, "Don't shoot." So, I ran downstairs, and I tried to get to him. And one of 'em grabbed hold to me and pushed me down. I got up, and I guess I was fighting so and 'cause I'm a nurse; I was trying to get to him to see if he was hurt bad. But I never could reach him. I never could get to him because they kept wrestling me and pulling with me. And it was just a nightmare. It was just . . . I don't know. I guess I just went crazy. I just don't know. But they never would let me get to him. They kept saying, "He's under arrest." But all I wanted to do was to get to him to see if I could help him or how bad he was hurt. But they wouldn't let me get to him.

INTERVIEWER: When did you finally get to him?

MRS. CONNER: When, when I got . . . my husband and I, we went to the . . . after they threw him in there, they just picked him up and they THREW him in the paddy wagon. We raced to the hospital, thinking they was going to carry him straight to the hospital, but they didn't. They carried him to the police station. So we went over there and they was just carrying him out of the police station. And that's when I got to him. I just jumped into the ambulance with him. That was the first time I could get to him.

INTERVIEWER: You said you were a registered nurse?

MRS. CONNERS: I'm just a practical nurse. I work in Laughton's Hospital.

INTERVIEWER: Have you ever been in trouble before, Jim?

JIMMY: Yes.

INTERVIEWER: To what extent? Any major trouble at all?

JIMMY: No.

INTERVIEWER: Are you a Black Panther?

JIMMY: No.

INTERVIEWER: How did you decide to contact Mr. Garry?

MRS CONNER: I don't know what he was, a doctor or what at the hospital. He was the one that gave us . . .

GARRY: A doctor was so insensed that he called me in the middle of the night in my home on Saturday night and reported the matter to me. And I made an appointment to see the family at 11:00 a.m. yesterday.

INTERVIEWER: What was the doctor's name?

GARRY: I'd rather not say unless I had his permission. He was so insensed at what had happened that he telephoned me in the middle of the night. And then I reported the matter to Bobby Seale and David Hilliard of the Black Panther Party. And they have gotten involved in the matter and are very much interested in seeing that this kind of matter does not continue in the community any longer.

INTERVIEWER: Mr. Garry, have you found out the name of the police officer that did the shooting?

GARRY: No. I have not. He's a member of the Tac Squad. I'm sure that once we get the bullet out maybe ballistics can find out the one that fired the shot.

INTERVIEWER: So, he still has the bullet in?

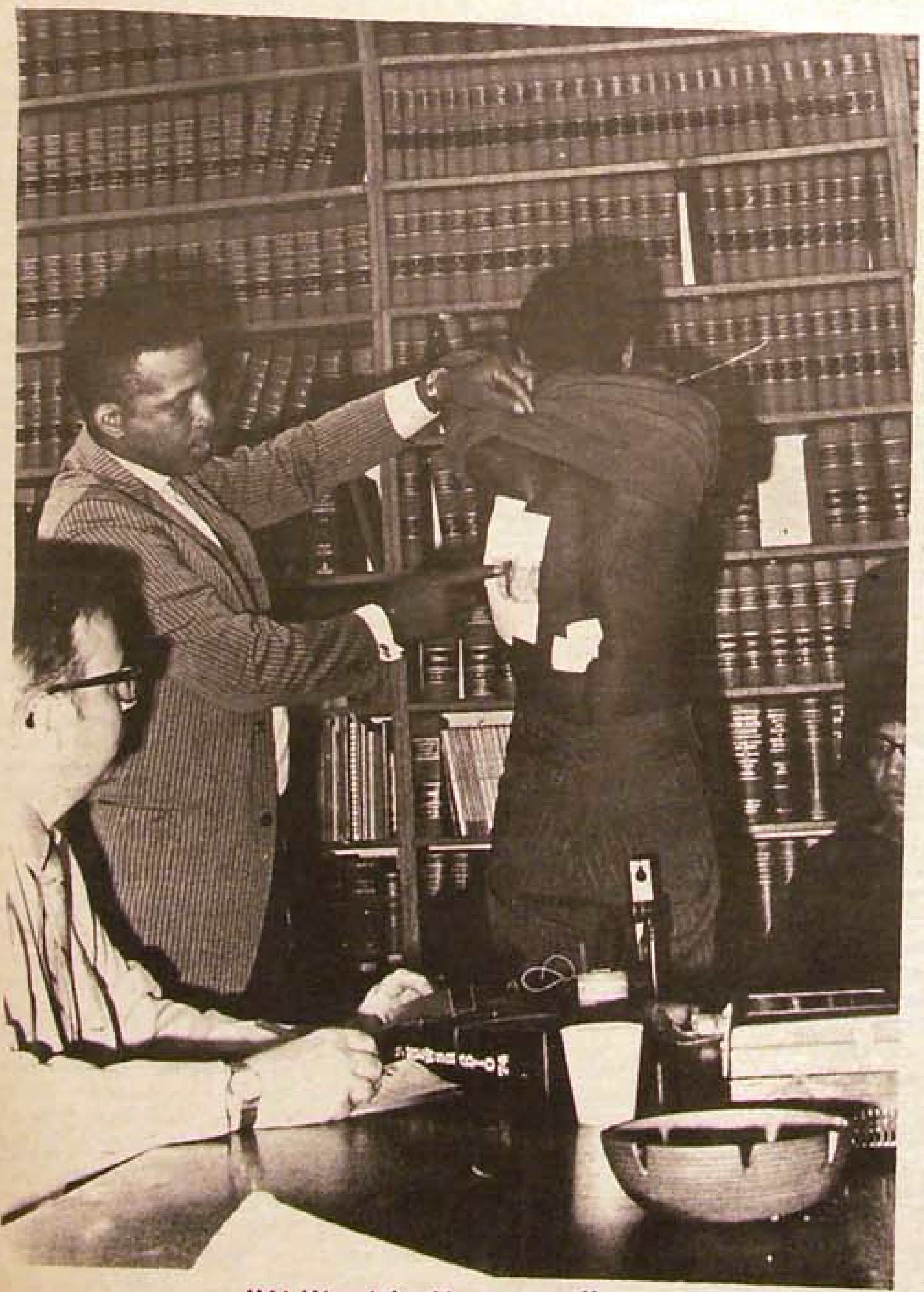
GARRY: That's what I understand. Here's a medical report.

INTERVIEWER: Were you charged with anything?

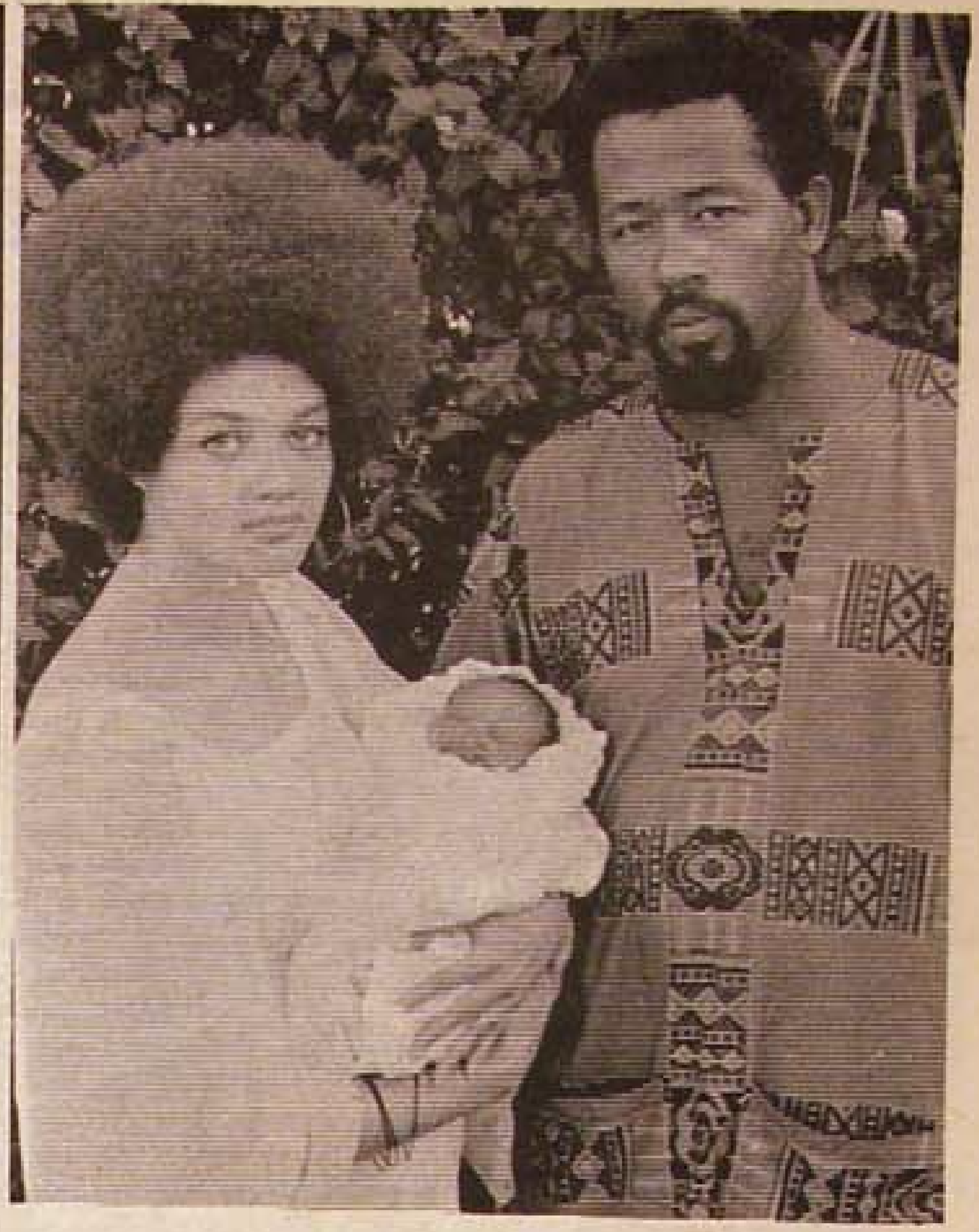
GARRY: He was given a citation, whereas the other two who were in the car were taken to juvenile hall, he was given a citation which reads: 602, Welfare Institutions Code, 245 of the Penal Code, 10851 of the Vehicle Code, 4463 of the Vehicle Code, and 496, the Penal Code. Some of these I'm familiar with, others I'm not. He has to appear in juvenile court on the 18th. Jimmy, that 245 charge is an assault charge. Did you assault anybody?

JIMMY: I didn't assault them. No.

DAVID HILLIARD: I'd just like to add that we made attempts to call in all of the mass media to attend this press conference. And the television media refused to attend this press conference. And we think that this is a deliberate block by the people from above in order to curtail our circulation of our police petition, because incidents like this would most surely assure victory wherever the petition's circulated. We think that this is another area of harassment, another area of repression handed down from our local mayor, Mayor Alioto, in order to bring to a very immediate halt the activities of the Black Panther Party...



"It Went in Here . . ."



The revolutionary spirit of Antonio Maceo lives on today in the People's revolutionary vanguard, the Black Panther Party, and in our new revolutionary warrior named after him.

A new revolutionary warrior has been born into our midst. Our new little brother's name is Antonio Maceo Cleaver. He is the son of our Minister of Information, Elidridge Cleaver, and our Communications Secretary, Kathleen Cleaver.

He is named after the Black Cuban revolutionary, Antonio Maceo (1848-1896) who played a vital role in the struggle of the Cuban people for independence from Spain. He was one of the few leaders in the struggle that refused to agree with the phony Armistice Pact proposed in 1878 by the Spanish government after an armed struggle of the Cuban people against the Spanish rulers. Unfortunately, the majority of the Cuban leaders accepted the Pact and the Cuban people were forced to suffer the consequences of continuing Spanish oppression, exploitation and brutality toward them. Antonio Maceo, (like our brother and leader Eldridge Cleaver), was forced to leave the country -- into exile.

In 1892 Jose Marti who was the founder of the Cuban Revolutionary Party along with Antonio Maceo and other revolutionary leaders planned an uprising against the Spanish rule. On February 24, 1895, the call to war was heard all over Cuba. In April, Maceo landed in Cuba with a rebel group. Jose Marti was supreme chief; Maximo Gomez was Commander-in-Chief of the Liberation Army; Antonio Maceo was Lieutenant. The brilliant military strategy and tactics of Maceo and Gomez was called "the most daring military campaign of the century." This time around, Spain lost and the Cuban people gained their independence.

Antonio Maceo, the best warrior of the 1895 campaign was killed by the enemy on December 7, 1896.

All Power to the People
Right On Eldridge and Kathleen!

ON MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE



Eldridge Cleaver,
Minister of Information

BACK DURING THE DAYS WHEN I was still running around in Babylon talking crazy about the pigs, if anyone had told me that someday I'd find myself in this exile situation trying to send a message back about the Black Panther Party's Breakfast for Children program and the white radicals of Berkeley with their People's Park, I probably would have taken it as a put-down. But it's all for real, and what is more I find myself very enthusiastic about these developments.

Both of these actions expose the contradiction between the pretenses of the system and the needs of the people. They stand as an assertion that the pigs of the power structure are not fulfilling their duties and that the people are moving, directly, to fill their own needs and redress their grievances. And the pigs in turn, with their hostile response to both of these programs, clearly expose themselves as enemies of the people.

Breakfast for Children and the People's Park are qualitatively different types of actions from anything we have been into in the past. They represent a move from theory to practice and implementation. The pigs cannot argue against the substance of these programs, even though they hate the forces that have brought them about. In fact, they will move to co-opt the programs and to drive a wedge between the programs and the vanguard forces that launched them. This has been the strategy of ruling classes all through history, because they really have no other choice—given their determination to hang on to power until it is wrenched from their grasp—and even this never really works, except to buy them time. It can only be tragic when the vanguard forces allow themselves to get co-opted. On the one hand, the pigs will pressure the vanguard—they will make liberal use of the Big Stick—but at the same time they will use the carrot. For instance, they will try to get Jerry Rubin to become the director of a City Park, and Bobby Seale to become the headwaiter in a statewide Nutrition Supplement program.

I have a question: Will my child ever be able to sit down to a Black Panther breakfast, and will Kathleen and I, with our child—and I'm counting this Panther before he claws his way out of the womb—ever be able to visit the People's Park? What we need is some liberated territory in Babylon that we are willing and prepared to defend, so that all the exiles, fugitives, draft-dodgers, and runaway slaves can return to help finish the job.

The black and white communities are controlled by the same ruling class. Towards black people this ruling class uses racism as a tool of oppression, turning this oppression into a National Question. In the white community, oppression is a Class Question, provoking the response of Class Struggle. And when we see clearly that we're only dealing with Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, we recognize the beauty of the response of the people. We recognize that the Breakfast for Children program and the People's Park are authentic and accurate responses to the situations of black people and white people in Babylon.

Breakfast for Children pulls people out of the system and organizes them into an alternative. Black children who go to school hungry each morning have been organized into their



poverty, and the Panther program liberates them, frees them from that aspect of their poverty. This is liberation in practice. In the white mother country where class struggle is the appropriate tactic and expropriation of the expropriators the proper means to revolution, the act of seizing that land and establishing a People's Park could not have been more to the point. So it is clear that the people are always able to discover a way of moving. Out of their practice they develop new theory that sheds light on future ways of moving.

If we can understand Breakfast for Children, can we not also understand Lunch for Children, and Dinner for Children, and Clothing for Children, and Education for Children, and Medical Care for Children? And if we can understand that, why can't we understand not only a People's Park, but People's Housing, and People's Transportation, and People's Industry, and People's Banks? And why can't we understand a People's Government?

It is very curious that the Breakfast for Children program was born in West Oakland, which can be categorized as one of the most oppressed areas in Babylon, and that the People's Park, on the other hand, was born in Berkeley, which can be categorized as one of the least oppressed areas. I think this is how we have traditionally looked upon these two contrasting areas. Of white people, those in Berkeley thought that they were amongst the freest in the land, and of black people, those in West Oakland knew that they were amongst the most oppressed. So we have these two very significant developments, one in the most oppressed area and the other in the least oppressed area. And it's very instructive to notice that on the one hand there is an attempt to fill the emptiness of want, of need, and of deprivation that the system of oppression and colonization leaves in the lives of a people. Here people are fighting for the essentials of survival, fighting for food for children, fighting for what it takes just to survive. On the other hand, in the least oppressed area, we see a fight which at a superficial glance can be mistaken for a fight for leisure. But we must look upon the fight for the People's Park as an in-road into the system, because it poses the question of basic rearrangements in the system itself. And this is really the crucial question in our overall struggle, for in Babylon there is not really a scarcity of goods, and there is, objectively, no real reason why there can't be people's parks, because the land is available and the wherewithal to build such parks is there in abundance. But the capitalists, who must first see the prospects of a profit before they make any distribution of the resources, do not see a profit in a park for the people. And they see no percentage, beyond underwriting some marginal goodwill in the community or good public relations, in the Breakfast for Children program. They see this program as a threat, as cutting into the goods that are under their control. They see it as cutting into the expendable portion of their possessions. These two questions pose the basic problem that radicals have to deal with in Babylon; ultimately, they both pose precisely the same question. It is only because they from such divergent sources that they give the appearance of being worlds apart. One springs from needs that are obvious and basic, and people can relate to them on that basis, while the other springs from an area that we are not accustomed to looking upon as basic to survival. People can readily relate to the need to eat breakfast, but it is possible that they cannot see the need for a park. They can see life continuing without a park but they would be more concerned about attempting to perpetuate life without food.

REVOLUTION, IN ITS ESSENCE, means precisely the rearrangement of a system. Many people think of revolution only as overt violence—as guns shooting and conflagrations, as flames leaping into the air, bodies in the streets and the uprising masses storming city hall. This is only one phase of the revolutionary process, and the violence is not an end in itself but only the means through which the necessary power is seized so that the rearrangements in the system can be carried out. It is the means for expropriating the land, the natural resources, the machines, all the means of production, the institutions of society—for taking them out of the control, out of the hands of those who now have them and who have abused them, who have perverted these things and have converted them into instruments with which to pursue their own private gain at the expense of the wider public good.

Ironically, many of the oppressed people themselves do not feel that they have a right to the things that a revolutionary program demands in their name. They have guilt feelings about it. They recognize and relate to people having food to eat and a park for their children to play in. But when the pigs of the power structure oink their lying tears, bemoaning the outlaw nature of the movement, these politically unaware people who are not firm in their ideology will get up-tight and feel guilty. They can even be made to feel that they are doing something wrong or something that is immoral, and they can be manipulated because of this feeling. It is necessary to dispel this feeling, because what it flows from is indoctrination with the myth of private property, the myth and the cluster of beliefs that have been spawned by the soothsayers of greed in order to sanctify their possession of the earth under the guise of private property.

We are trapped between our visions of what life could be like and what it really is: a People's Government in which a rational arrangement is made, and the present reality—helicopters dispatched over college campuses to spread clouds of noxious gasses in order to intimidate the people and to stifle their protests; troops marching in battle formation down our streets; sharpshooters in the uniforms of the guardians of the law, taking aim, taking deadly aim, at citizens, actually aiming at vital spots of the body, actually pulling triggers, and actually killing people. And we stare dumbly, and we wonder, and we feel impotent and intimidated because we know that they have the guns, and they have the courts, and they have the prisons.

In a recent issue of the Black Panther Party newspaper which reported on the first casualty of the battle for the People's Park, an essential question was raised: "The white willing to lay down their lives in the struggle, but the question still begs an answer—are they willing to pick up the gun?" This gives rise to another question. After picking up the gun, whom do we shoot?

We must get it clear in our minds that we will shoot anyone who uses a gun, or causes others to use guns, to defend the system of oppression, racism, and exploitation. And the issues of the People's Park and the Breakfast for Children program clearly convey that we are moving beyond the racist pig cops to confront the avaricious businessmen and the demagogic politicians, because we have to ask ourselves who sends the cops and the National Guard, and who they are there to protect.

We have nothing to gain by deluding ourselves or by seeking ways to evade the reality, the terrible reality, that confronts us. We must face the fact that we are at war in America. Not everyone realizes that there is a war going on. Some of us understand theoretically that in a capitalistic economy the relationship between the ruling class and the ruled has been defined as a relationship of struggle, of war, but even so it is as though we have been reading some mysterious sociological poetry that stimulates the fat inside our skulls and gives us some sort of secret thrill. Others of us are so nit-pickingly fanatical that we cannot assess the reality before our very eyes—the reality in which we ourselves are participants and which our own work has helped bring about—unless we can read it in a book written a hundred years ago in another country, under vastly different circumstances which do not begin to approximate the gigantic proportions of the task which rests so smotheringly upon our shoulders.

The principles that have been learned from our experience with the People's Park and the Breakfast for Children program I think, will take root in the minds of radicals all over the United States. Myself, I'm tired of using the terms "radicals" and "militants," and I prefer to use the term "revolutionaries," because if we are not involved in a Revolution, and if we don't understand ourselves to be revolutionaries, then there is very little that we can really hope to do. But if we understand ourselves to be revolutionaries, and if we accept our historic task, then we can move beyond the halting steps that we've been taking, beyond the Stupid Revolution, and gain the revolutionary audacity to take the actions needed to unlock and focus the great revolutionary spirit of the people. All they need is to get their teeth into a pig's ass, or to see the ace up the avaricious businessman's sleeve or the lies in the teeth of the demagogic politicians. Then there will be a new day in Babylon, there will be a housecleaning in Babylon, and we can halt the machinery of oppression, purge our institutions of racism, and put the oppressors up against the wall—or maybe more appropriately, up against the fence that they have built around the People's Park.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

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OPEN LETTER TO STOKELY CARMICHAEL

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YOUR LETTER OF RESIGNATION as the Prime Minister of the Black Panther Party came, I think, about one year too late. As a matter of fact, since the day of your appointment to that position—February 17, 1968—events have proven that you were not cut out for the job in the first place. Even then it was clear that your position on coalition with revolutionary white organizations was in conflict with that of the Black Panther Party. But we thought that, in time, even you would be able to shake the SNCC paranoia about white control and get on with the business of building the type of revolutionary machinery that we need in the United States in order to unite all the revolutionary forces in the country to overthrow the system of Capitalism, Imperialism and Racism.

I know these terms are kicked around like lifeless bodies and that it is easy to allow the grisly realities behind them to become obscured by too frequent repetition. But when you see the squalor in which people live as a result of the policies of the exploiters, when you see the effects of exploitation on the emaciated bodies of little children, when you see the hunger and desperation, then these terms come alive in a new way. Since you've made this trip yourself and seen it all with your own eyes, you should know that suffering is color-blind, that the victims of Imperialism, Racism, Colonialism and Neo-colonialism come in all colors, and that they need a unity based on revolutionary principles rather than skin color.

The other charges which you make in your letter—about our new-found ideology, our dogmatism, our arm-twisting, etc.—seem to me to be of secondary importance, because, with the exception, perhaps, of the honorable Elijah Muhammad, you are the most dogmatic cat on the scene today, and I've never known you to be opposed to twisting arms or, for that matter, necks. In many ways your letter struck me as being an echo and rehash of the charges brought against the party by the bootlickers before the McClellan Committee. And since you chose this moment to denounce the party, we—and I am sure many other people outside the party—must look upon your letter in this light. The only point in your letter that I think is really you is the one about coalition with whites, because it has been this point on which our differences have turned from the very beginning.

You have never been able to distinguish the history of the Black Panther Party from the history of the organization of which you were once the chairman—the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. It is understandable that you can have such fears of black organizations being controlled, or partly controlled, by whites, because most of your years in SNCC were spent under precisely those conditions. But the Black Panther Party has never been in that situation. Because we have never had to wrest control of our organization out of the hands of whites, we have not been shackled with the type of paranoid fear that was developed by you cats in SNCC. Therefore we are able to sit down with whites and hammer out solutions to our common problems without trembling in our boots about whether or not we might get taken over in the process. It has always seemed to me that you belittle the intelligence of your black brothers and sisters when you constantly warn them that they had better beware of white folks. After all, you are not the only black person out of Babylon who has been victimized by white racism. But you sound as though you are scared of white people, as though you are still running away from slave-catchers who will lay hands on your body and dump you in a bag.

As a matter of fact, it has been precisely your nebulous enunciation of Black Power that has provided the power structure with its new weapon against our people. The Black Panther Party tried to give you a chance to rescue Black Power from the pigs who have seized upon it and turned it into the rationale for Black Capitalism. With James Farmer in the Nixon Administration to preside over the implementation of Black Capitalism under the slogan of Black Power, what value does that slogan now have to our people's struggle for liberation? Is denouncing the Black Panther Party the best you can do to combat this evil? I would think that your responsibility goes a little further than that. Even though you were right when you said that LBJ would never stand up and call for Black Power, Nixon has done so and he's bank-rolling it with millions of dollars. So now your old Black Power buddies are cashing in on your slogan. In effect, your cry for Black Power has become the grease to ease the black bourgeoisie into the power structure.

By giving you the position of Prime Minister of the Black Panther Party, we were trying to rescue you from the black bourgeoisie that had latched on to your coattails and was riding you like a mule. Now they have stolen your football and run away for a touchdown: six points for Richard Milhouse Nixon.

In February 1968, at the Free Huey Birthday Rally in Oakland, California, where you made your first public speech after returning to the United States from your triumphant tour of the revolutionary countries of the Third World, you took the occasion to denounce the coalition that the Black Panther Party had made with the white Peace and Freedom Party. What you called for instead was a Black United Front that would unite all the forces in the black community from left to right, close ranks against the whites, and all go skipping off to freedom. Within the ranks of your Black United Front you wanted to include the Cultural Nationalists, the Black Capitalists, and the Professional Uncle Toms, even though it was precisely these three groups who were working to murder your shit even before it broke wind. (Remember what Ron Karenga did to your meeting in Los Angeles?)

YOU HAD GREAT DREAMS IN THOSE DAYS, Stokely, and your visions, on the top side, were heroic. On the bottom side, when it came to the details of reality, your vision was blind. You were unable to distinguish your friends from your enemies because all you could see was the color of the cat's skin. It was this blindness that led you to the defense of Adam Clayton Powell, that Jackal from Harlem, when he came under attack by his brother jackals in Congress. And it was this blindness that led you to the defense of that black cop in Washington, D.C., who was being fucked over by the whites above him in the Police Department for whom he carried his gun as he patrolled the black community. In short, your habit of looking at the world through black-colored glasses would lead you, on the domestic level, to close ranks with such enemies of black people as James Farmer, Whitney Young, Roy Wilkins and Ron Karenga; and on the international level you would end up in the same bag with Papa Doc Duvalier, Joseph Mobutu, and Haile Selassie. Yes, we opposed that shit then and we oppose it now even more strongly, especially since the Nixon Administration has stolen your program from you and, I think, included you out.

And now you are going to liberate Africa! Where are you going to start, Ghana? The Congo? Biafra? Angola? Mozambique? South Africa? If you are not aware of it, I think that you should know that the brothers in Africa who are involved in armed struggle against the Colonialists would like nothing better than for you to pack up your suitcase full of African souvenirs and split back to Babylon. They have never forgiven the fat-mouthing you did in Dar-es-Salaam when you presumed to tell them how to conduct their business. It seems to me that you are now trapped between the extremes of your own rhetoric. On the one hand, you have cut yourself off from the struggle in Babylon, and on the other hand, you are not about to become the Redeemer of Mother Africa.

The enemies of black people have learned something from history even if you haven't, and they are discovering new ways to divide us faster than we are discovering new ways to unite. One thing they know, and we know, that seems to escape you, is that there is not going to be any revolution or black liberation in the United States as long as revolutionary blacks, whites, Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Indians, Chinese and Eskimos are unwilling or unable to unite into some functional machinery that can cope with the situation. Your talk and fears about premature coalition are absurd, because no coalition against oppression by forces possessing revolutionary integrity can ever be premature. If anything, it is too late, because the forces of counterrevolution are sweeping the world, and this is happening precisely because in the past people have been united on a basis that perpetuates disunity among races and ignores basic revolutionary principles and analyses.

You are peeved because the Black Panther Party informs itself with the revolutionary principles of Marxism-Leninism, but if you look around the world you will see that the only countries which have liberated themselves and managed to withstand the tide of the counterrevolution are precisely those countries that have strong Marxist-Leninist parties. All those countries that have fought for their liberation solely on the basis of nationalism have fallen victims to capitalism and neo-colonialism, and in many cases now find themselves under tyrannies equally as oppressive as the former colonial regimes.

That you know nothing about the revolutionary process is clear; that you know even less about the United States and its people is clearer; and that you know still less about humanity than you do about the rest is even clearer. You speak about an "undying love for black people." An undying love for black people that denies the humanity of other people is doomed. It was an undying love of white people for each other which led them to deny the humanity of colored people and which has stripped white people of humanity itself. It would seem to me that an undying love for our people would, at the very least, lead you to a strategy that would aid our struggle for liberation instead of leading you into a coalition of purpose with the McClellan Committee in its attempt to destroy the Black Panther Party.

Well, so long, Stokely, and take care. And beware of some white folks and of some black folks, because I assure you that some of both of them have teeth that will bite. Remember what Brother Malcolm said in his Autobiography: "We had the best organization that the black man has ever had in the United States—and niggers ruined it!"POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

—ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, *Minister of Information, Black Panther Party. July, 1969.*



Stokely Carmichael

PHILADELPHIA B.P.P. PURGE

Let This Be Known and Acknowledged By All Extremities of the Black Panther Party

Willie McIntyre is no longer a participant in the people's vanguard. He has been ultra-democratic. He has been ultra-individualistic, and he has been a fool. There is no room for ultra-democracy in the Black Panther Party. There is no need for him. There is no room for individualism in the Black Panther Party! There will be no more!

Neither the people, nor the Black Panther Party needs or will tolerate a damned fool!

"Not to obey orders but to give pride of place to one's own opinions. To demand special consideration from the organization, but to reject its discipline. This is a fourth type." (Part of an explanation on ideological self-cultivation - Liberalism, Page 145 from the Red Book)

"In the sphere of theory, destroy the roots of ultra-democracy. First, it should be pointed out that the danger of ultra-democracy lies in the fact that it damages or even completely undermines the Party's fighting capacity, rendering the Party incapable of fulfilling its fighting tasks and thereby causing the defeat of the revolution." (Page 162, The Red Book)

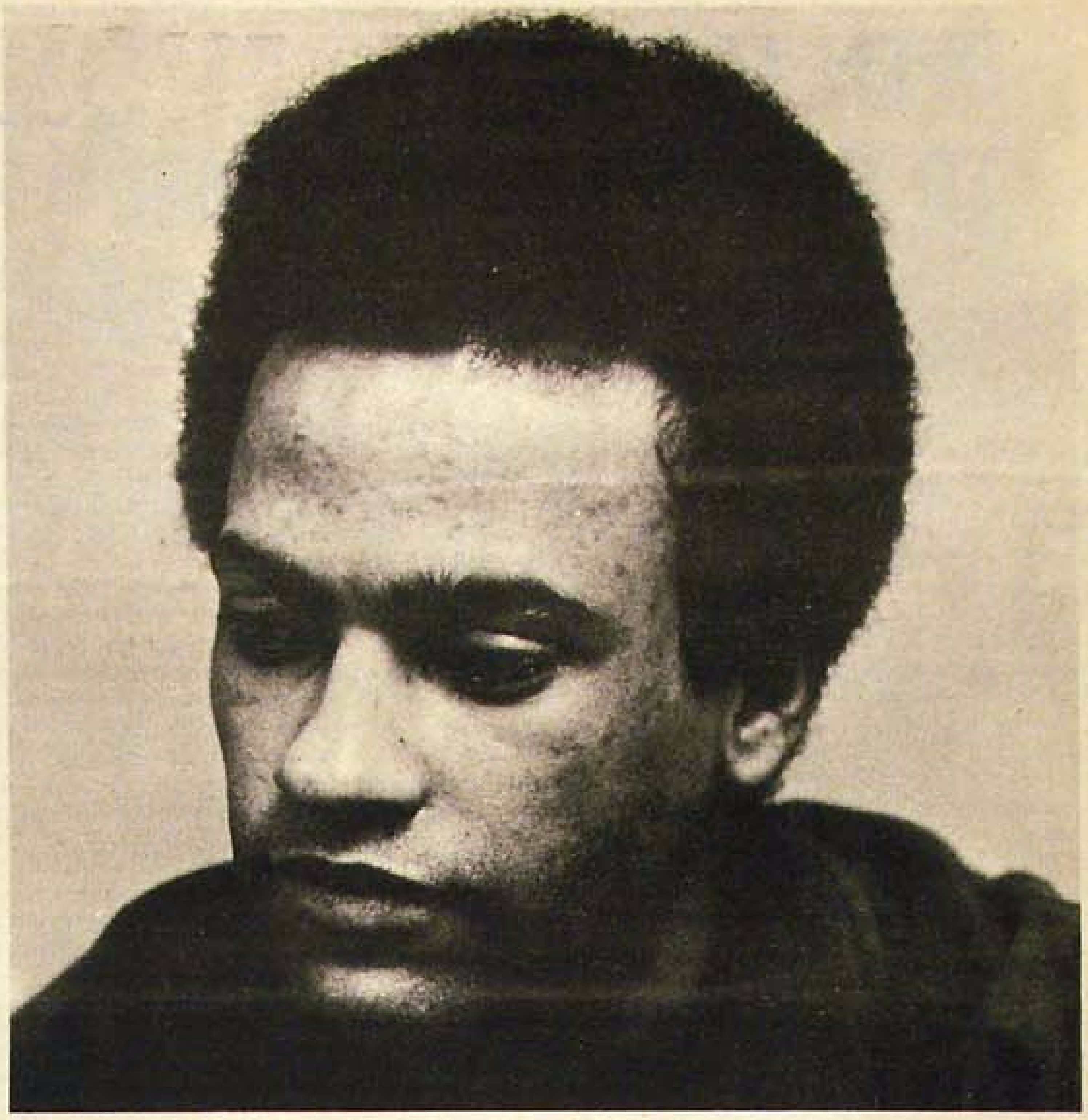
One must never lose sight of the revolutionary truth. 'The individual is subordinate to the organization' -- and that no one person may ever move to endanger the people's revolution or the political work of the Party -- THAT INCLUDES WILLIE McINTYRE.

Fight fail, fight fail, fight again, fail again, fight until ultimate victory. Smash the State.

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HUEY'S APPEAL



Huey P. Newton

EDITOR's NOTE:
The following article is taken from the appeal prepared by the attorneys defending Huey P Newton, Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party. Huey's attorneys have moved to have the case reviewed by the Court of Appeals of the State of California. The Black Panther News Paper will print the appeal in part-- every week to give the people all the facts as to why Huey P.Newton should be set free immediately.

G. RELATIONSHIP OF CHARACTER AND CREDIBILITY OF DEFENDANT AND OAKLAND POLICE OFFICERS TO THE OFFESES CHARGED HEREIN.

It is clear that weighing the distinctly differing versions of the events set forth by the defendant, Heanes, and Grier (and bus passenger Miller contradicting him) would, perforce, have to depend heavily on the jury's assessment of the credibility of (14) of these persons and of the police witnesses. Thus, questions of motive and intent and, ultimately, of character, were of critical importance and became questions of ultimate fact in this case.

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14. The prosecution concurred. Mr. Jensen in his closing argument stated (R.T. 3602-3):

> "Our inquire is, 'Did he do it?' And when he did it, given that whole background and frame of experience, 'Why did he do it? What was the specific reason? Did he need it? Was it purposeful, was it judgment, was it choice?' That is what we want to know.
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> "We turn now out of a situation where there are two persons who saw and identified and tell us what happened there as well as Mr. Newton. And Mr. Newton has told you what happened...
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> "I need hardly tell you that this is not what Officer Heanes said, and that is not what Henry Grier said. And let's face it, ladies and gentlemen, somebody doesn't tell us the truth. . . .
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> "And let's be very realistic about this. The events that were described by Huey Newton are not the events that were described by Officer Heanes or by Henry Grier. So that we are faced with making this decision in terms of the truth. We are going to decide who told us the truth about what took place, because the man, Huey Newton, that was seen by Herbert Heanes, is certainly not the Huey Newton, the victim of an assault by John Frey. The man, Huey Newton, who was seen by Henry Grier, is not the Huey Newton who was the victim of a murderous assault by John Frey." (Emphasis added.)

And, compare, Heane's testimony that he was "taking sides" in the case (R.T. 1931).

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Into this amalgam of issues of fact, identification, motive and credibility, the prosecution put a false fact before the jury, i.e., that Frier had said he "did" get a clear view of the assailant's face. The defense was prohibited from introducing the following evidence:

1. The testimony of John Burton, an elderly Negro longshoreman who was arrested by Officer Frey in May of 1967 near the location of the shooting herein, at which time Frey took him to jail on a charge of drunkenness. Mr. Burton's testimony was that while coming off work after the evening shift, walking unsteadily due to a bad hearing nerve, Frey stopped and arrested him, refused to hear any explanation from Burton, treated him "like a boy," abused him verbally and took him to jail (R.T. 2994-96). (Said testimony was offered for the purpose of showing that Burton was not drunk and to show Frey's customary treatment of black people in the ghetto. The trial court relied upon Frey's police report and stated that the court was "not going to try the drunk case here.")
2. The testimony of Daniel Quinones, who had observed Oakland police officers threatening the life of defendant and physically abusing defendant at Highland Hospital, to which he was moved on the day of the arrest (R.T 2902-2907). (Offered as part of the res gestae of the attitude of the Oakland Police Department toward defendant with respect to the provocation and behavior of Frey and the motivation and bias of Oakland police witnesses at the trial.)
3. The testimony of Gus Daniels, Lum Harris and Eugene Brown, Negro businessmen, that members of the District Attorney's staff called them down to the District Attorney's office on the pretext of investigating a disorderly house, and then offered to "pay well" for any information respecting the defendant's case (R.T. 2963-2973).

IV. ARGUMENT

A. THE INDICTMENT WAS INVALID BECAUSE RETURNED BY A GRAND JURY ILLEGALLY CONSTITUTED, IN THAT ITS SELECTION PROCESS SYSTEMATICALLY EXCLUDED BLACK, POOR, AND OTHER MINORITY PERSONS: AND PROCEEDING BY INDICTMENT ARBITRARILY DENIED DEFENDANT THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO PRE-TRIAL CONFRONTATION OF WITNESSES AND DISCOVERY.

1. CALIFORNIA STATUTES FOR CHOOSING GRAND JURORS VIOLATE THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

Statutes whose provisions involve possible deprivation of liberty must provide clear-cut standards of application. Placing an unfettered discretion in the hands of those who administer the law is an inadequate safeguard for personal liberty. Giaccio v. Pennsylvania, 382 U.S. 399, 86 S. Ct. 518 (1966).

The California statutes on the formation of the grand jury provide no standards for choosing a representative grand jury: they allow judges or jury commissioners an unfettered discretion to choose a grand jury in any manner they deem proper.

Penal Code sections 897 through 903.4 provide for the method of selecting the grand jury. The essence of these sections is that the grand jury is selected by the judges or the jury commissioners of the superior courts of each county. The only standards set for such selection (in addition to meeting the basic qualifications of section 198 of the Code of Civil Procedure) are that the prospective grand jurors be in possession of their natural faculties, not be infirm or decrepit, be of fair character and approved integrity. The grand jurors are to be chosen from the different judicial districts of the counties in proportion to the number of inhabitants therein.

These statutory provisions are very general in nature. They specify no method by which a cross-section of the community is to be assured in the selection of the grand jury. The general standards of fair character and integrity are not sufficiently specific to insure such a cross-section. Thus, the judges or the jury commissioners are free to choose the grand jury from any racial, economic, religious or age group with no specifications as to the proportion, if any, to come from each such category. Selection of jurors from different judicial districts does not afford the required specificity. The judges or jury commissioners are, in fact, free to choose only rich, white persons from each of the judicial districts, or only poor, black persons, or some of each. Thus, the officials are given unguided discretion in their choice of grand jurors.

Such a method of jury selection does not comply with the Constitution. California legislation must provide standards which are designed to, and do, result in choosing a cross-section of the community without under-representation of any group -- racial, economic, or age.

2. THE INDICTMENT AGAINST DEFENDANT WAS RETURNED BY AN ILLEGALLY AND UNCONSTITUTIONALLY FORMED GRAND JURY

The indictment under which defendant was tried was returned by a grand jury which was selected in a manner which violated defendant's rights under the Fourteenth Amendment. The Alameda County procedure for selecting a grand jury systematically excludes representation of young persons, lower income groups, and members of the Black community. Defendant's conviction under such an indictment must be reversed under settled and well-established principles of constitutional law.

A method of grand jury selection which excludes or seriously underrepresents any portion of the community, whether it be an economic class, a racial group or a significant age group, cannot withstand constitutional attack. The grand jury, like the petit jury, must be representative of a cross-section of the community. Labat v. Bennett, 365F.2d 698 (5th Cir. 1966); Avery v. Georgia, 345 U.S. 559, 73 S.Ct. 891 (1953). The systematic exclusion of a group or class of persons from the grand jury denies to an indicted defendant the due process and equal protection of the laws. See, e.g. Whitus v. Georgia 385 U.S. 545, 87 S.Ct. 643 (1967); Hill v. Texas, 316 U.S. 400, 62 S.Ct. 1159 (1942); People v. White, 43 Cal. 2d 740 (1954).

The grand jury which indicted defendant was picked from the friends and acquaintances of Alameda Superior Court judges. These friends and acquaintances were almost exclusively Caucasian business and professional people, over fifty years of age. This method of selection systematically excludes the poor, Negroes, and young residents of the county who are eligible to serve.

Alameda County Jury Commissioner Schnarr and Superior Court Judge Dieden testified as to the formation of the grand jury. Each of the twenty Superior Court judges in Alameda County submits the names of three friends or acquaintances (Reporter's Transcript of proceedings on January 26 and February 2, 1968, page 33; defendant's (preliminary) Exhibit C, hereinafter "Preliminary R.T."). These nominees must come from certain judicial districts within the county. But, aside from that qualification, there were not standards known to the Jury Commissioner for choosing nominees (Preliminary R.T. 34, 48). From these sixty names, thirty were then chosen by lot (Preliminary R.T. 52).

Judge Dieden, the presiding judge who impaneled the grand jury which indicted defendant, testified that there was no set of standards the judges used in selecting their three nominees (Preliminary R.T. 64). Judge Dieden stated he chose three friends of his who he thought were "public spirited," "interested in the welfare of the County," "of good moral character," and "possessed of ordinary intelligence" (Preliminary R.T. 65). He testified he did not choose people to serve if it would be, in his opinion, an economic hardship (Preliminary R.T. 65). He agreed the grand jury was not chosen at random (Preliminary R.T. 69). The Judge took no steps to see that the nominees included persons in the 21-35 age group (Preliminary R.T. 70). He testified that all of his nominees were over 50 years of age (Preliminary R.T. 70-71). The Judge also thought that all sixty nominees were over 50 years of age.

The superior court judge hearing defendant's challenge rejected defendant's offer as to the economic and age makeup of the Alameda County Grand Jury. The judge stated that even if all the nominees were over 50 years of age he still believed the grand jury was constitutionally formed (Preliminary R.T. 84, 90).

The composition of the grand jury which indicted defendant is best exemplified by this question asked of Judge Dieden by defense counsel (Preliminary R.T. 73):

> "Q. Judge Dieden, the people that you appointed to the Grand Jury were people that were personally known to you and with whom you had either some long standing friendship or some acquaintance or some community of interests with them, isn't that right, sir?
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> "A. That's correct."

In 1965, a survey of the population of Alameda County revealed these statistics as to age: under age 21, 27.9%; under age 30, 42.6%; under age 40, 54.9%; under age 50,

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MINSTREL SHOW



Ray "Masai" Hewitt,
Minister of Education

Like vaudeville, the Al Jolsen-type minstrel shows didn't die without a struggle, and the tenacity of its white-lipped, death throws had little to do with any proportionate talent, education or entertainment value. That brings us to the modern-day stronghold of Bullshit, Lunacy and Madness --"The Watts Summer Festival".

The festering mental corpse known as a "Festival" is typical of the "Happy-singing-darkies-act" that the politicians, fascist pig cops, and afro-styled-dashiki-wearing "I'm black and I'm proud" bootlickers put on in numerous black ghettos every summer. The fact that the dates usually coincide with the hottest temperatures of the year, and the locations happen to coincide with the most rebellion-prone areas must be some kind of a freak accident

The parade of the Zombies in Dashikis through the South Los Angeles ghetto, would surely have layed down and died, at last, of its own accord, had it not been for some behind the scenes work that bordered on the supernatural.

Dr. Jekly Yorty, with an able assist from imported swine - "Mussolini Alioto," managed to prod the trusted but now tired minstrel show, threw a dull, lifeless routine that was totally void of relevance for the oppressed masses in the black community. It is interesting to note that while "Mussolini Alioto" sought to bring cheer and joy to the lives of the slaves on the southern half of "Ronnie's Plantation," the fascist pigs that he has seen fit to triple in the black . . . sections of his plantation, were sticking to their back-shooting, business as usual policy. Luckily the 16 year old youth Jimmy Conners lived, although he was handcuffed and beaten with night sticks after he was shot. There's an epidemic running rampant on Master Mussolini's Plantation. It could best be described as "Suspected G.T.A. -Shot while resisting arrest - Dead on arrival - Justifiable homicide." With such obvious fascist pigs as "Moose Alioto" involved, it's no wonder that the whole scene was a disasterous flop. Even that trusty band of bootlickers know as the "Black News Media" could not inject life into the macabre "Festivities."

It seems that the fascist pig power structure will have to work much harder to "front off" the black masses of Babylon as happy singing, cultural, Afro-type, Darkies singing "Ole' Black Joe" in Swahili. With the bond of fraternal brotherhood (based on practice) established by the Black Panther Party with the revolutionary brothers of the African content, the market value on unadulterated bullshit will most certainly take a nose dive.

That there's big mess brewing on the plantation is an open, public secret; as evidenced by the massive numbers of fascist pigs who maintained a heavy handed brutal "control" over the "festive activities". In the years gone past, the pig power structure sought only to "contain" the "festive activities," to limit them to certain geographical limits, but alas, those good old days are gone forever. In the joy filled days of the past the problems of internal control had been left to assorted and sundry "militant" bootlickers. Such community-service-type-militants as SLANT, the US organization, the Sons of Watts (or Philly or Harlem, or Hunter's Point they all fit depending on which part of the plantation you happen to be on.) Young men for action, Teens on Patrol, Young Men for Total Democracy, etc., etc., etc., (the list goes on and on with its paper tiger counterpart -- the War on Poverty.) The job of these niggers has always been to give mouth-to-ass-resuscitation to the cultural hoax that the pig power structure tried to pass off as the old "We don't have any problems with our Nigras", routine.

They were also charged with seeing to it that none of the local "surly field niggers" would be able to show their true contempt for the plantation or the master. To insure the success of this mission, they have been given funds and technical equipment, protection, "Technical advisers," and "Consultants," in much the same manner as bootlicking puppet regimes are propped up by the CIA all over the world. But the pig power structure, in line with its foreign policy, won't hesitate to step in, when it becomes obvious that its "house niggers" can no longer handle and control the "field hands." Vietnam in '57. Watts in '69!

Most of the people in the community are of the opinion that the name should be changed to "The PIGS' Summer Festival because there always seems to be more pigs on the scene than people. The most well rehearsed, sensational act of the whole festival, "Black Festival," was by a predominantly (but not all) white group -- the L.A.P.D. Metro Squad. Their act could best be described as, "The three second-Six pig-Instant Arrest,-and hasty retreat," routine. Their strategy seemed to be one of maintaining hundreds of "Search and Destroy" missions day and night. They seemed to feel that for the safety of the individual pig, that their task forces contain at least six pigs. Two pigs to arrest one brother and four pigs to protect the arresting pigs. The time factor was always kept in mind as a brother would be singled out, swooped down on, handcuffed, thrown into a waiting squad car and sprinted off, while a ring of escort pigs shouted repeatedly to the arresting pigs, "Hurry up, get him in the car and let's get out of here." They were precise because after five seconds among the people they begin to sweat profusely, and Huff and Puff like very old women. They were also sophisticated enough to save most of their usual sidewalk brutality for a station house encore.

In the final analysis, the "Blacker than Thou" bootlickers in the "Sears and Roebuck Dashikis" with the thirty-two-tooth grins couldn't hide the squalor, misery, oppression, and death that is the daily reality in Babylon. The grinnin' and skinnin' and bootlickin' Uncle Toms had an African motif but it was still only a fair job of "Down home bootlickin'."

Despite the music, fun booths, [illegible] bought off ambitious individuals, backward organizations, private industries, and governmental agencies, the bullshit still stinks in Babylon. The "natives" are restless and it's no secret.

When the people have community control of the pigs on the law books, and some 12-gauge political power sticking out of every window, then and only then will there be cause for a festival.

All Power to the People
Black Power to Black People
Panther Power to the Vanguard
Masai, Minister of Education

Letter From A G.I.

July 24, 1969
Brothers,

I thank you for all your newspaper "The Black Panther" has done towards my case. Publicity is a necessity. Although I was basically right, guaranteed by the constitution, I was convicted and sentenced. A hard sentence was put upon me for carrying out one of the rights I am asked to fight for. I am beginning to feel that I am really being asked to keep everyone free but myself, and I find it difficult to face 3 months in a stockade for prejudicial reasons. At present, no action has yet been taken. The brigade commander, Col. Thomas B. Merteans is reviewing the record of trial and will decide whether three months hard labor in confinement, three months hard labor without confinement and a fine of 73 dollars a month for six months, is to harsh for giving someone a piece of reading material that they might even enjoy or be interested in reading. I cannot understand how a man like Col Merteans can resolve his conscience,(having fought for the execution of the constitutional rights) and still decide to jail someone who exercised one of its basic principles. Yet, if I handed the same man a pamphlet saying "RE-UP ARMY", I'm sure he would shake my hand and say,"keep up the good work."

I now join the many others who are being punished because of expressing their thoughts in a "FREE" country. I sit here and wonder WHY does a man have [illegible] conviction and sentence such as the one placed on me is a feared thing, it in itself is a whole education that there is no other way to learn.

Once again I thank you and all your people for their help.

GI POWER
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Pvt. Kenneth C. Cross
Ft. Jackson, S.C.

HUEY'S APPEAL

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68.8%. Thus the grand jury in Alameda County is chosen exclusively from a class, those over 50, which comprises less than 45% of those eligible (72.1% of the total population) in the county to serve.

Attacks on the exclusion of the young from grand juries have been made in several cases. In each, the court found the young to be under-represented, but, since some young persons were on the panel or were nominees for the panel, those attacks have uniformly failed. See, e.g., United States v. Cohen, 275 F. Supp. 724 (1967); United States v. Bryant, 291 F. Supp. 542 (1968). As explained by the court in Bryant, the representation of the young on the Maine Grand Jury was below statistical expectations, but there was representation which was more than "mere token representation."

But here, no persons under 50 were nominated by the judges for Alameda Grand Jury. Such a systematic exclusion of those under 50 does not comply with constitutional standards.

Similarly, how many poor people and how many black persons are friends and acquaintances of Superior Court judges? The judicial system of this state is made up predominantly of white persons over 40-50 years of age, former attorneys, who now earn in excess of $20,000 per year. When these persons select nominees from friends, acquaintances, and those with a similar "community of interests," one could hardly expect to obtain any type of cross-section of the community.

In People v. White, 43 Cal. 2d 740, 753 (1955), Justice Carter criticized selecting grand jurors from the membership of clubs such as the Rotary, Lions, and Chamber of Commerce.

> "Those persons who would be denied the opportunity for jury service under this system would not be excluded because of any lack of ability, intelligence or qualifications but merely because they did not belong to the social and economic strata of the community which comprises the membership of certain private clubs and organizations. A system which tends to permit this form of wholesale exclusion of a large segment of our citizens from jury duty would normally prevent the selection of juries from a cross-section of the community. Such a system is highly discriminatory and should not be condoned."

Here, all of those who do not belong to the very small and select group of friends and acquaintances of judges are denied an opportunity to serve on the Alameda County Grand Jury.

Defendant does not argue that the Alameda County judges have intentionally discriminated against the young, the poor, the working classes, and Negroes of the country; but "it seems clear that proof of intentional discrimination is not an essential element of a defendant's case." United States v. Bryant, supra, 291 F. Supp. 542; Davis v. Davis, 361 F. 2d 770, 773 (5th Cir. 1966). Discrimination exists where the judges or jury commissioners neither know nor seek to learn whether there are Negroes or young or poor persons qualified to serve, Hill v. Texas, supra, 316 U.S. 400, 404, 62 S.Ct. 1159, 1161 (1942).

In referring to the systematic exclusion of Negroes from grand juries, the Supreme Court has said, in Smith v. Texas, 311 U.S. 128, 132, 61 S.Ct. 164, 166 (1940):

> "Where jury commissioners limit those from whom grand juries are selected to their own personal acquaintance, discrimination can arise from commissioners who know no Negroes as well as from commissioners who know but eliminate them. If there has been discrimination, whether accomplished ingeniously or ingenuously, the conviction cannot stand."

The Alameda Superior Court judges have violated their affirmative duty placed on them by the "Constitution and laws of the United States...to develop and use a system that will probably result in a fair cross-section of the community being placed on jury rolls." Rabinowitz v. United States, 366F 2d. 34, 57 (5th Cir. 1966). See also Avery v. Georgia, supra, where it is stated that those responsible for selection of the grand jury had "a constitutional duty to follow a procedure -- 'a course of conduct' -- which would not 'operate to discriminate in the selection of jurors. . .' " (345 U.S. at 561, 73 S.CT at 892)

How many convictions would stand if trial jurors were chosen from among the friends and acquaintances of the judges? But a grand jury, no less than a petit jury, is to represent as nearly as possible a cross-section of the community.

Justice by cronies of those who make up the judicial system is not justice. The indictment must be quashed and defendant's conviction reversed.

3. PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DEFENDANT BY INDICTMENT RATHER THAN BY INFORMATION VIOLATED HIS RIGHT TO EQUAL PROTECTION AND DUE PROCESS OF LAW.

The grand jury is an historical anachronism no longer consonant with expanding notions of fairness in criminal procedure. Its emphasis on secrecy, its lack of confrontation, lack of evidentiary safeguards, lack of right to cross-examine, and lack of discover all place the grand jury some thirty years behind evolving constiutional standards.

FREE HUEY



Vietnamese Liberation Fighters Prepare for Enemy Attack

N L F VIETNAM

South Viet Nam is today the center of attraction for everybody because the Yankee imperialists are waging a war of aggression, the largest in the world today and the cruelest in history, and because there is a nation there which in spite of its being so small, has stood up to fight, *determined to defeat the leader* of the imperialists, the fiercest of our time.

Under the presumption of making the earth theirs, the Yankee imperialists have for years pursued the idea of occupying South Viet Nam. They have resorted to one method after another.

Unceasingly intensifying the war, they have, up to the present, sent to South Viet Nam the fourth party of their military forces which, together with those of the satellite countries and of the puppet regime, make up the aggressive army of over a million men. To this must be added the incalculable arsenal of arms and means of waging modern war, not taking into account the huge apparatus that the Pentagon utilizes to direct and maintain that dirty war of aggression. Nevertheless, it has only achieved continuous and ever worsening defeats.

It is evident that the deadly weapons of Yankee imperialism cannot in the least intimidate the South Vietnamese people. Six years ago, that people was submerged in suffering and humiliation under the asfixiating domination of the Yankee imperialists and their gang of lackeys; but today, under the glorious flag of the National Front for Liberation it has become a powerful and victorious revolutionary army. During these past six years, the South Vietnamese people, closely united under the guidance of the National Front for Liberation have overcome many difficulties, and have carried the cause of the anti-Yankee struggle for national salvation from victory to victory.

CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE NATIONAL FRONT FOR LIBERATION WAS FORMED

Viet Nam is one, the Vietnamese people are one; but after the Vietnamese people's victory against the French colonialists, the North was completely liberated while the South continued under imperialist and feudal domination. Due to the reorganization of the belligerent armies in their respective zones, the revolutionary forces concentrated in the North and the reactionary forces in the South.

Under those circumstances, the Yankee imperialists entered the scene, ousting the French and taking over South Viet Nam with the aim of turning that zone into a new type of colony and into a military base at their disposal.

They introduced their lackeys, imposed a dictatorial regime and set the political and social bases for them by creating a new privileged class through the re-establishment of the interests that had been confiscated from the enemy during the August Revolution of 1945 and during the period of resistance against the French. The aggressiveness of the leader of the imperialists combined with the class revenge of the local reactionaries engendered the savagery and barbarianism of the dominant regime of the US and its lackeys in South Viet Nam.

In order to carry out their policy of increasing their military forces and intensifying their war preparations aimed at the annihilation of the revolutionary movement in South Viet Nam, the Yankee imperialists use any and all methods and actions, no matter how savage they were. And in agreement with the new colonialism, they applied a two-faced policy, mixing terror and repression with seduction and deceit. But can that mask of pseudo-democracy and pseudo-independence hide the bellicose nature of the Yankee imperialists and deceive a people who have a firm revolutionary tradition, who have insurrected twice, who acquired the temper of steel during the nine years of anti-French resistance? Surely not. The deceitful methods therefore proved to be sterile and while these lost their effectiveness, the Yankee and their puppets stepped up their terror and repression. In 1959 they set up guillotines, prepared the prisons throughout South Viet Nam and savagely murdered and tortured hundreds of thousands of persons.

While this was going, the flames of hatred of the South Vietnamese people leaped ever higher until they became an overpowering force. In many places along the Mekong River the people rose in rebellion and undertook guerrilla actions. In view of this situation, the Yankee imperialists and their lackeys frantically increased terror and repression, thus trying to drown the South Vietnamese people in a sea of blood. But how could they conquer a people in arms? How could they prevent a revolutionary movement that was developing as an impetuous torrent capable of destroying the strongest dikes?

During those moments of the life and death struggle against the enemy, the South Vietnamese people needed leadership and a united front. It was then that the National Front for Liberation of South Viet Nam was born, satisfying a need of the masses. The front undertook the historic mission of carrying forward the revolution, in order to free South Viet Nam from the yoke of the Yankee imperialists and their lackeys.

THE REVOLUTIONARY POLICY OF THE FRONT

In order to lead the people to victory in its revolutionary struggle, the National Front for Liberation had to plan the correct political line. Starting from a radical revolutionary position and resorting to a scientifically dialectical methodology, the National Front for Liberation of South Viet Nam correctly evaluated the South Vietnamese situation and set the policy for the course of the Revolution. This policy consists of: Uniting all the popular strata, classes, nationalities, parties, religions and patriotic personalities, irrespective of political tendencies, in order to fight for the destruction of the yoke of domination of the Yankee imperialists and the lackey Ngo-Dinh Diem gang; to make independence, democracy, peace and neutrality a reality and to advance towards the reunification of the homeland. This policy reflects the strategic line and the revolutionary tactics of South Viet Nam and implies three important questions.



1. TO CLEARLY POINT OUT THE OBJECTIVE OF THE REVOLUTION AND THE AIMS TO BE ATTAINED. The South Vietnamese people live under the yoke of a neo-colonial and semi-feudal regime. There exist two basic contradictions within the South Vietnamese society; first, the contradiction between the South Vietnamese people and imperialism with the Yankee imperialists at their head, and the other, the contradiction between the South Vietnamese people above all the farmer population which makes up 80% of the total population, and the feudal landowning class.

In order to really transform the South Vietnamese society, those two contradictions must be solved in order to carry out the fundamental tasks. These are "Independence for the nation" and "land for those who cultivate it". This determines that the South Vietnamese Revolution shall be within the framework of a national-democratic revolution provoked by the imperialists, the feudal lords and the landowners, but mainly by the Yankee imperialists and their lackeys, who represent the most reactionary elements of the landowning class and the commercial (compradore) bourgeoisie of South Viet Nam.

But the objectives that the South Vietnamese people must reach are not limited to independence and democracy; they must also satisfy the other aspirations of the people. The South Vietnamese people love peace for they have suffered bloody wars for many years. This feeling conforms to the common aspiration of all the peoples of the world. But the US imperialists, bellicose and aggressive, have resorted to arms to destroy the aspirations for peace of the South Vietnamese people, who have had to rise up weapons in hand to conquer true peace, a peace based on independance and liberty, not a peace based on slavery.

The South Vietnamese people also aspire to a real and positive neutrality, according to the characteristics of the present situation in South Viet Nam, in Southeast Asia and the world. This means that South Viet Nam, as a sovereign independent and territorially united state will not form part of any military block nor sign any treaty contradicting or prejudicing its neutrality. Therefore, all foreign troops and military personnel should withdraw from South Viet Nam; our country does not accept the presence of foreign armed forces, military personnel nor military bases in its territory.

But today, South Viet Nam is a new type of colony and military base of the US. That is why, in order to be a truly neutral state, it must free itself of the domination of that imperialist power. Today, to fight for neutrality means to oppose Yankee imperialism's aggression and all its forms of oppression; it means the liberation of South Viet Nam from that domination.

Integrated by citizens of one country that is Viet Nam, and by sons of one only family, the Vietnamese, the people of South Viet Nam ardently aspire to the re-unification of their Homeland. It is not an aspiration only by material interests; it is also inspired by the deepest feelings of every Vietnamese.

In brief, the South Vietnamese people's struggle has the aim of materializing the legitimate aspirations of the masses. Thus, the objectives of the South Vietnamese Revolution are: To achieve independence, democracy, peace and neutrality, and advance towards the reunification of the Homeland. These objectives are not fixed starting from mere subjective considerations, but rather they have been determined correctly by taking objective reality into account and with a deep assimilation of the laws of social development.

2. TO OUTLINE THE METHODS FOR REACHING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE REVOLUTION. After having determined the objectives of the Revolution, the question of finding the methods to achieve them is of decisive significance. While the struggle of the Vietnamese people counted with the Geneva Agreement as its juridical basis, and in South Viet Nam the US imperialists began to carry out the policy of neo-colonialism, making all efforts to give the lackey regime a guise of false independence and democracy, not a few persons nourished the illusion of being able to transform "pseudo-independence and pseudo-democracy" into "true independence and true democracy" in a peaceful manner, or to force the US imperialists, through a legal struggle, to implement the Geneva Agreement for the reunification of the Homeland. But the bitter reality of the years that have elapsed has completely destroyed that illusion.

The main problem of all revolutions is that of power. To solve that problem under the practical conditions of Viet Nam there is no other road to struggle to destroy the yoke of the Yankee imperialists and their puppets, so as to seize power for the people, or in other words, the road of revolutionary violence, of opposing revolutionary violence of the masses to the reactionary violence unleashed by an extremely brutal enemy. The reality of South Viet Nam's Revolution during the six years that have elapsed eloquently proves that to be the only correct road. However, it was by far not easy to find it during the years 1959 to 1960, since the South Vietnamese Revolution, besides the general characteristics of every national liberation war, has peculiarities that have not been seen

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even in the August Revolution, nor in the war of resistance against the French colonialists that was previously waged in South Viet Nam. The South Vietnamese people began to struggle without a people's government after having had one in wide liberated areas of the South. Besides, never before had a struggle been waged in conditions of neo-colonialism.

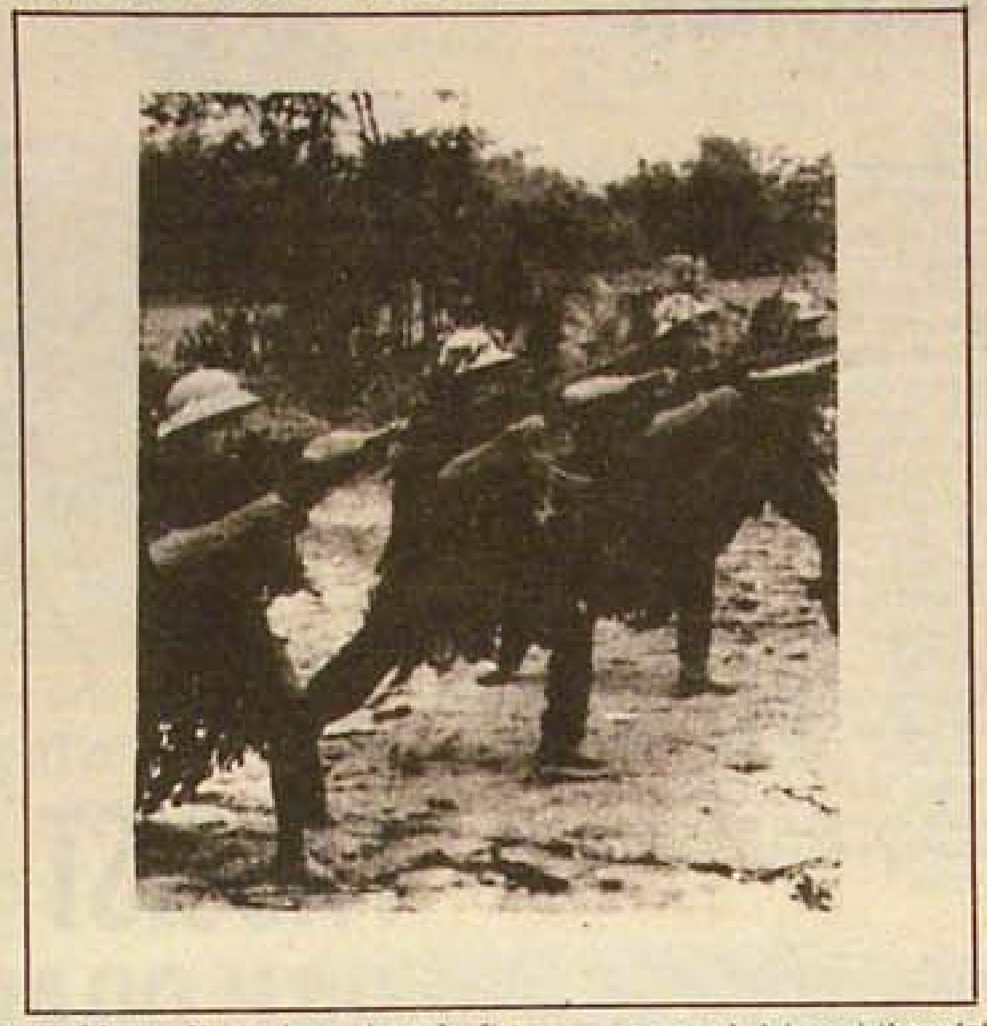
In this sense it must be said that the Cuban Revolution has furnished precious experiences for the revolutionary movements of the world, and especially for the peoples' movements under neo-colonialism, such as that of South Viet Nam.

Another aspect we wish to examine here, because it was one of the obstacles to the planning of the revolutionary line in South Viet Nam, is the confusion of not a few persons regarding the relation between the peaceful reunification of South Viet Nam and the liberation of South Viet Nam through a violent revolution. Viet Nam, there is no doubt, will be reunified, and it is obvious that reunification will be carried out by peaceful means on the basis of the approval of the people of both zones, with no one of them annexing the other by force. But while the yoke of the imperialists and of their lackeys exists in South Viet Nam, achievement of the reunification of the country will continue to be impossible. To reunify Viet Nam, the South must first be liberated, and that liberation can be attained only by a revolution with violence. Thus, the problems of reunifying Viet Nam by peaceful means and liberating South Viet Nam by revolutionary violence are in complete agreement.

On revolutionary violence there is an important problem that should be mentioned: the relation between the different forms of revolutionary violence. The Vietnamese Revolution has previous experience in the use of forms of armed and political struggle. For example, sometimes guerilla warfare, of which the peasantry is its main force, has been combined with urban uprising, carried out mainly by the working class and other toilers. At other times armed struggle has been resorted to as the main form, while political struggle has played a secondary role, etc. But, within the conditions of a South Viet Nam subject to the neo-colonialist regime of Yankee imperialism, political struggle does not only serve as a base for armed struggle, but it is also a congruent means of struggle. Therefore, it was possible to carry out violent revolution in South Viet Nam parallel to the development of armed struggle and political struggle.

Here political struggle is not equivalent to a struggle that is possible under the laws established by the enemy; nor it is by far that permitted by parliamentary struggle. It is a matter of dealing with one of the forms of revolutionary violence that uses the force of the masses to counteract the enemy on the political front. Millions of persons protesting in the countryside; tens of thousands of persons swarming on to the streets in demonstrations, thousands of peasants invading the cities and surrounding the main organisms of the puppet regime, putting them in danger; thousands of women hindering the advance of the tanks, obstructing the guns, repelling the enemy in its cleanup operations, etc., are forms of political violence as strong and effective as armed struggle. That is why political struggle also requires a powerful army as well organized, trained and led as the armed forces. With its two powerful armies - the military and the political - the South Vietnamese people have dealt unceasing blows at the enemy, making him feel at all times and on both fronts (political and military), the need to defend himself without being able to take the initiative, and going from one failure to another.

3. TO GATHER FORCES FOR THE REVOLUTION Once having layed down the lines of the Revolution, forces are needed to put them into practice. The more numerous the forces, the greater will be their fighting capacity. That is why it is necessary to unite the greatest possible number to win over those that are irresolute, to neutralize the reactionaries and isolate the enemy. To organize such a broad patriots' front, it is necessary to take into consideration the practical situation, the tasks of the revolution and the correlation of forces between the different classes in society, to adequately use the forces of the revolution. The South Vietnamese Revolution is a national-democratic revolution, directed against imperialism and the feudal landowning class. Today, the Revolution has the task of solving the contradiction that exists between the South Vietnamese people on the one hand and Yankee aggressors and their lackeys, who represent the most reactionary elements of the landowning and compradore bourgeoisie classes, on the other. Thus, the people's forces in South Viet Nam encompass the working class, the peasantry, the petty bourgeoisie and the national bourgeoisie, as well as other strata and patriotic elements.



Within this people's bloc class contradictions exist, even antagonistic contradictions; but in the face of a common enemy, these different classes and these different popular strata can unite in a common front. However, due to the differences in social position among them, each class and each social stratum adopts a different political attitude.

If this broad bloc does not count with the radical revolutionary forces as the pillar, it cannot have energy nor will for the struggle. Therefore, the National Front has to take its support from the working class and the peasantry, who are more numerous and determined to make the revolution. A broad national front, that reckons with the most firm revolutionary forces as a pillar, is one of the factors guaranteeing the victory of the South Vietnamese Revolution, and is also a necessary condition to wage a people's war against theaggression of the greatest economic and military power of the imperialist camp.

Parallel to this putting into practice of a broad national front, the South Vietnamese Revolution can establish an alliance of the workers and peasants with the soldiers of the puppet army. Because in the end, the latter are nothing else but workers dressed in an enemy uniform, victims of compulsory military recruitment imposed by the enemy; they are different from the expeditionary armies of France or the US, and from the puppet soldiers under the former French colonial rule in Viet Nam.

With that alliance, the struggle of the South Vietnamese people can not only deal blows at the enemy on two fronts - the political and the military - but it is possible for it to apply the "tactics of the three united spearheads," that is, the united attack by the political and military spearheads and the one consisting of agitation and proselytizing within the puppet army, putting the enemy in the most serious danger.

LETTER FROM VIETNAM

Black power,

Brothers of the Party, I'm writing this letter not only in my behalf, but on the behalf of the brothers who are feeling the hurt and pain that I'm feeling. Last night here in the Republic of Viet Nam in Lai Khe, the white pigs jumped on two of the brothers, one of them was almost killed by those dogs. They got full of their liquor and decided that they would relieve their pressure by beating up the brothers.

It all happened when most of the brothers were in bed around 9:00 p.m., July 13. Now after they beat up one of our brothers and left him to die in the mud and water, the white pigs started shooting at us. I tell you, it's not even safe to walk around the area without one of them trying to shoot us up.

Dig this: The white dogs who are really messing us over are the medics who are supposedly there to take care of the sick, lame and the lazy. Now, this morning, we, the Black brothers, have to go and see the batallion commander to talk things over, but we have tried to do this already. No more talk either; we just kill them off or they kill us off. That's just how bad it is here in the 1/28 AF.

The big thing is that they don't like to see the Black man out of the "woods." Most of us have to lie our way out of the "woods," because these white dogs won't give us a rear job. So we have to take the unfair treatment off them. So, I tell you these white dogs just show their a-- over here. They really let the Black man know how he feels towards them.

So, brothers in the world, I John R. White, have 19 days left in the army, but right now my brothers need me to stand by them. I know for a fact that I want to get out of the white man's army to come home and join the Black Liberation Army. But before I come back to the States if it takes 19 days or 19 years, I will stand beside my Black brothers until I have used every breath in my body to fight those white dogs. So, brothers take heed. This is the treatment given to us in the U.S Army by the whites. I wish it was possible that every brother could read this, so feel free to reprint this in any form. The brothers of the war really need help.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BLACK POWER
John R. White

BRITISH PIG BRUTALITY

"Mr. Calvin B. St. Louis, 42 year old Carribean Worker from Bogles Village, Caricou Island, GRENADA; now lies critically ill in Whittington Hospital, Archway, London. N19. He is suffering from multiple injuries including "6 broken ribs, concussion and internal bleeding", the result of a brutal fascist assault by British policemen in a police van and in the police cells of Holmes Road Police Station, Kentish Town, NW5, London, on Thursday July 3, 1969 between the hours of 3:30-6:30 p.m. He was then charged with misbehavior or disorderly behavior."

These are facts learned from Mr. St. Louis himself and from other sources by our political reporters.

HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?

Mr St. Louis, who is a family man with 3 children, booked tickets some weeks ago with travel agents - Toypetika, Kentish Town Road, London N7, for a trip home to Grenada, for his wife Elvira, his children and himself. He deposited 133.16 pounds in cash. On Thursday July 3, 1969 around 3:00 p.m. he went in to the travel agents to confirm the booking and or to pay the balance and collect the tickets. He was then told, contrary to the previous arrangements, that he must pay a full fare for his 1 year old child. Mr. St. Louis felt that this was not what was agreed previously and therefore rightly asked for his money to be refunded. After some discussion he was offered a crossed check for the refund of his deposit. He informed the travel agent that he had no bank account and would like cash. A heated argument resulted with the usual racist insults being hurled at Mr. St. Louis and the travel agents called in the police.

When 3 policemen with a police van arrived, the argument was still going on and eventually Mr. St. Louis was told that he would get his deposit refunded in cash but he would have to come back. Among the policemen was a certain P.C. 202 and all the policemen showed clear indications of siding, as they usually do, with big business and property owners. They spoke roughly to Mr. St. Louis and handled him roughly pushing him out of the travel agency into the streets. When he objected to being treated in this manner, he was immediately pushed towards the police van, being told at the same time that "we'll have you for disorderly conduct." In the van on the way to the police station he was called a Black bastard and assaulted, but the main beating up took place in the police cell at Holmes Road Police Station, Kentish Town, NW5.

It is alleged that Mr. St. Louis was pushed into the cell hitting his head against the wall, he was cuffed about the body and fell to the ground. While on the ground, one constable held his two feet while another (it is alleged PC 202) dealt him several vicious kicks in the ribs. He was unconscious for a while and when he regained consciousness was groaning loudly and complaining about pains all over his body and head. The police surgeon was called in and on sight of Mr. St. Louis without examining him, immediately advised that he be sent to the hospital. It was at this stage that he was charged for "misbehaviour or disorderly behaviour" to appear at Clerkenwell Magistrate Court, E.C.1. on Friday 7/4/69 and was rushed to Whittington Hospital at 7 p.m. 7/3/69 accompanied by the same P.C. 202 one of his alleged principal attackers. At the hospital this constable had words with the doctor. Mr. St. Louis was examined as an emergency case and the doctor declared 'tenderness over the 5th rib' and discharged him at 9:45 p.m. 7/3/69.

Mr. St. Louis arrived home, 29 St. Leonard Sq., London N W 5, about 10:30 p.m. 7/3/69 and learned that police had visited his home while he was away. All through the night of Thursday 7/3/69 he suffered immense pain in the body and head and bled through the nose. On Friday morning 7/4/69 he was taken by his wife to see his own doctor, who gave him a medical certificate, which was rushed by his wife and himself in a taxi to Clerkenwell Magistrate Court. He was then rushed in the same taxi back to Whittington Hospital where on examination and X-ray at 11:36 a.m. 4/4/69 they found he had "C ribs broken, was suffering from internal bleeding and concussion." The casualty doctors ordered immediate hospitalization, where he still is at the date of this report. His wife has consulted solicitors and the case came before the court as soon as Mr. St. Louis is fit.

WE CALL ON ALL HONEST FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLE TO DO ALL IN THEIR POWER BY PROTEST AND ACTION TO PUT A STOP TO BRITISH POLICE ATTACKS AGAINST BLACK PEOPLE.

London 7/10/69
Universal Coloured People's Association. C/O H. Moore, Secty.
Carribean Workers' Movement.
20 Kitchener Rd. E.7.

FASCIST QUIZ

"The streets of our country are in turmoil. The universities are filled with students rebelling and rioting. Communists are seeking to destroy our country. Russia is threatening us with her might. There is danger from within and from without...without law and order, our nation cannot survive. We shall by law and order be respected among the nations of the world. Without law and order, our Republic shall fall."

Guess who oinked that statement. Richard M. Nixon, J. Edgar Hoover, Mayor Thomas Whelan, Adolph Hitler, Lyndon B. Johnson, George Wallace?

If you said ADOLPH HITLER you were exact (excerpt from a campaign speech made in Hamburg, Germany in 1932). But if you said any of the other names you are also correct.

We will fight fascism with unity.
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

CHARLES BURSEY:

ANOTHER POLITICAL PRISONER

On Thursday night, August 7, Charles Bursey, our revolutionary comrade was convicted on 2 counts of attempted murder and 2 counts of assault with a deadly weapon. These charges stemmed from the April 6, 1968 shoot-out in which the pigs murdered Lil Bobby Hutton and attempted to murder Eldridge Cleaver.

Charles Bursey's case is another example of the kind of justice dealt out to oppressed people here in Babylon.

Point #9 of the Ten Point Platform and Program states, "We want all Black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their Black communities as defined by the Constitution of the United States." Charles was tried by an all-white jury. All the members of that jury were old people with no understanding of a 23 year old man born and raised in the Black community.

On Thursday, the jury went out to deliberate at about 4:00 pm and the courtroom was cleared. The Panthers and the people who had come down to support Charles sat out in the hall and conducted a Red Book class. Pigs were running all over the place, oinking because they couldn't stand to see all the revolutionary comrades sitting together in unity, teaching each other about this oppressive system and how to deal with it.

After waiting outside the court until about 5:30 pm, we went back to the office until 8:00 pm, then went back to the court. We stayed outside until 8:30 pm, waiting for someone to come unlock the front door. When we were let in the building, we went upstairs to the courtroom. It too was locked, so attorney Charles Garry let us in the witnesses waiting room. There while waiting for the judge and the jury we conducted another Red Book class, very quietly because we knew that the court wanted any excuse they could find to throw us out of the building.

Charles Bursey was in the hall talking to Charles Garry. His wife, Shellie Bursey, about 7 Panthers, and some supporters of Charles', including members of Women for Action, and a lawyer were in the hall with Charles when one of our comrades came out of the witness' waiting room and informed us that the judge had ordered everyone out of the building except for the defendant and the defense team.

A public trial in what is supposed to be the people's courts, administering "justice" for all! This was suppose to have been an example of "justice of the people, by the people, and for the people," according to what America's jive Constitution says. But the fact is that people aren't even allowed in the courtroom to bear witness to their so-called "fair and impartial justice," which the pigs hand down every day to Black people and all oppressed people. Pigs have to hide and sneak and lock doors because they're lying. They're lying in my face, they're lying in your face, and they're lying in the face of every man, woman, and child living in Babylon today. And they know if they come out before the people, let the people see what they are really doing, they know that the people will recognize them for what they are: racist pig cops, and lying demogogy politicians who are superman-punks, playing god, trying to destroy our lives by any means possible.

Charles Garry told us that we would have to leave or we could all be arrested, so we went out and sat in front of the building, waiting for a verdict or any news on what was going on upstairs. Charles Bursey came outside about a half hour after we were kicked out. A true revolutionary, Charles knew he was going to be convicted by those racists, and he wanted to be with the people as long as he could before he went to jail. Bursey went back, and this time his wife Shellie and one brother in the Party were allowed to go in the courtroom.

Outside we sat and waited. We waited for our brother to come back to us; but he didn't walk back down those stairs. While we were sitting out there, we noticed 2 pigs drive up and park on one corner then 2 more on another. The pigs were cruising around the block in plain cars, marked cars, and on motorcycles. They had surrounded the whole building, oinking and running around, jumping up and down, and going crazy over all those Panthers sitting quietly in front of the administration building.

No more than ten minutes after the pigs appeared, Shellie and Charles Garry came down and informed us that Bursey had been convicted. Charles Garry said that we had just witnessed another example of racism in the courts and America's injustice for oppressed people.

Charles Bursey is now a political prisoner, like Huey, like Landon and Rory, like Los Siete, like all people who oppose this racist, capitalistic system and who are railroaded off to jail by these pigs on trumped-up charges. But the people will always rise up against the oppressor for their liberation. The people will free Charles and Huey and all political prisoners by any means necessary. Just like Huey says, "The spirit of the people is greater than the pigs' technology."

Brothers and sisters, be strong.

Free Charles Bursey
Free all Political Prisoners
All Power to the People
Off the Pigs!



Free Bursey. Bring It On Down.



"Blood to the Horse's Brow and Woe to Those Who Cannot Swim"

FASCIST COURT RAILROADS CHARLES BURSEY

Brother Charles Bursey is brave and strong. Fascism took him from us but fascism cannot jail Brother Bursey's mind. The Alameda County Court is all fascist.

Fascism is genocide, financed by the avaricious businessman and the lying demagogic pig politicians who elicit white racism, in the name of "law and order."

Take one chicken-shit judge, twelve racist jurors with one racist pig D.A. (prosecutor) who conspired against one brother (Bursey), results in "legal" genocide of a strong Black man. Our own Brother Charles Bursey was railroaded by the route of the fascist court system. The last three days of Bursey's trial have seen some of the most racist tactics, all of which were sanctioned by the pig judge. How long and how much brutality and genocide will come down on us before other oppressed people awaken and see what is going to happen to them? Why wait until it strikes you or yours. Now is the time to stop letting lying politicians ride your backs to feather their own nest. They use one group against the other, they keep us divided so that they make profit from both of us. They may just jail me, so that they can better use you, because if they don't, the ruling class knows I will hip you to their games. America's ruling class is using Hitler's games, check it out. Think of what you do to your own children. Everytime a member of the Black Panther Party is jailed and you keep silent, you make it easier for them to jail you or yours one day sooner. The "keep-quiet" crumbs from the tables of the ruling class will make a zombie out of you. All people who keep silent when they should speak out against this corrupt system are asking to be silenced permanently.

We of the Black Panther Party, will imitate our jailed brothers and sisters. We too will be brave and strong. We will never sell out one another. We will never give up this liberation struggle. We refuse to be made into quiet zombies.

Our threat to the ruling class who oppresses us is that while we wholeheartedly serve the needs and desires of our people; we also point out very clearly, that two America's exist. The poor blacks and whites are the have nots and the ruling class is the haves -- which is a direct contradiction of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

The firm commitment to total liberation of black people led by the Black Panther Party and Third World Liberation Struggle will live on and on. The cry of oppressed people all over the world will grow louder and stronger until all oppressed people win their freedom.

Because you have never been on a picket line or gotten your head busted, or your organization harassed, it doesn't mean you are not oppressed like us, it means you haven't gotten sufficiently motivated to start fighting your oppression as yet. What the ruling class can do to one of us today, it will do to the rest of us tomorrow. We will all remain oppressed, until we all join in the struggle for liberation and defeat oppression. You may not know what you can do or where to start. The first step is your call to us, the Black Panther Party or the Third World Liberation struggle. Buy our newspaper each week. Keep abreast of the truth. Don't depend on the Man's newspaper. He only lets you know what he feels will keep you divided or mentally conditioned for accepting his newspaper brainwash. But the power of the people is greater than the Man's lying technology. Be brave and strong sisters and brothers. We dare to struggle, we dare to win. Struggle we must because our cause is just! Right on!! All power to Attorney Charles Garry. RIGHT ON!

Sister Marie Johnson, BPP

FREE CHARLES BURSEY AND ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

SET OUR WARRIOR FREE --- FREE BURSEY

Once again the long arms of FASCISM have stretched forth to ensnare a revolutionary fighter into the cesspool known as the Oakland pig jail. Charles Bursey, our comrade in the struggle for the people's liberation, is now facing a life sentence for allejedly attempting to murder a pig during the "ambush" of Panthers on April 6, of last year.

The pigs are on a fast-paced time schedule to totally obliterate the Panther Party, its leadership and members because they fear the rising political awareness and organization among the masses. Charles Bursey is one of the many brothers and sisters who have been the victims of attempts of systematic genocide.

Our Minister of Information, Eldridge Cleaver stated, coming out of the ambush in April of last year--"the pigs tried to kill me, just like they killed Lil' Bobby and only the people shouting stopped them." The pigs, dissatisfied of not having the opportunity to finish our comrades off in the streets, are now bent on exhausting all means to destroy them in their so-called "courts." To set up a kangaroo court, judge, old-white, decrepit jury is nothing according to their perverted sense of law, order, and justice.

Students from the Liberation School (BIG FAMILY) had the opportunity to observe again the miscarriage of "justice". The youngsters, eager to show their support, love and sympathy for Charles were excited at the prospect of sitting in court, hearing the arguments preserved by Panther Attorney, Charles Garry. The bailiff of the court, upon seeing twenty-to-thirty young revolutionaries, flatly refused to allow them to remain. His only feeble, half-ass excuse was the "seriousness" of the trial negated the possiblity of "children" staying in this courtroo.
courtroom.

As a result of their arbitrarily moving to bar the youths from the courtroom, depriving them of their Democratic Rights, youngsters took to the front of the courthouse to chant "Free Bursey" and expose in their own way the FASCISTS actions of the Oakland pig and power structure. The perception of youth is sometimes surprising, sometimes frightening--(to the pigs).

Here are just a few letters written by members of our "BIG FAMILY" to their beloved Comrade Charles Bursey.

FREE BURSEY
POWER TO THE PEOPLE
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LETTERS TO CHARLES

APRIL

Free all Political Pisoners

My name April Cephas 9 years old. I go to liberation school in the Fillmore Area.
Teachers are Jim Patrick and Kathy. We learn about Fascism amd picking up the gun. We learn about the red Book. We sing revolutionary songs. We know about John Huggins and Alprintinc Carter. The Cleaver had a baby

Revolution is the only Solution
April

DAPHNE

Aug. 8th 1969
Dear Charles,

Today we talked about why you were in Jail. Wed. we went to see your trial but a pig kicked us out. I got to see your Jury. It sure wasn't your peer group. They were all old and white.
Maybe you could write a book while you are in Jail like Eldridge. Once when I was doing a report I read a book that was written on toilet paper before anyone ever found it and had it printed (he was in jail when he wrote it. He wrote it on toilet paper because that was all he had) I am sorry you are in jail. I know the reason the fascist pigs put you in Jail but I don't know how even the jury could believe all thoughs lies the pigs told. I hope you get lots of letters from your comrades so you can get your mind on something.

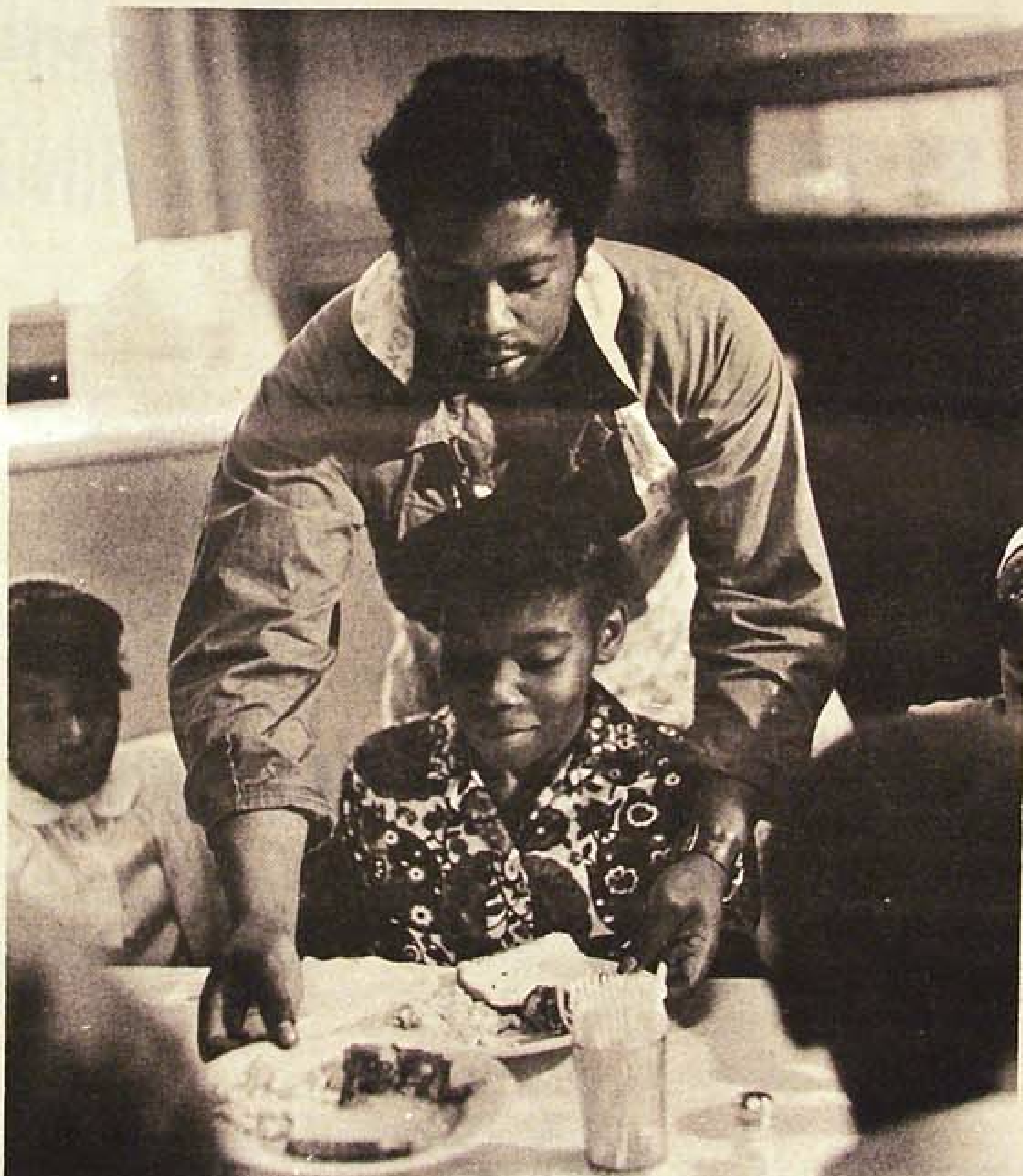
I love you very much

Daphne Dessler

NADINE

Dear Charles Bursey.
I love Charles Bursey

Nadine Hilliard



Charles Bursey, Serving the People

WENDY

Aug. 8, 1969

Dear, Charles

My name is Wendy Williams.
I go to Liberation school.
The big family and I came to your trial but a big fat pig kicked us out. We looked through the windows on the doors in the court room but the pig came and pulled down the shades. I'm sorry little Bobby died I cryed and so did my brothers. The people who were not in your peer group were all white and old and they didn't say anything to defend you. I am white but not prejudice. I have a lot of black friends. My dad helps around in the Panther office. My family all reads out of the red book. I have been collecting Panther Papers. I have four altogether. I hope you can get set free. We have to work on our books now. good-by

I love you very much!
All Power to You!
Love
Wendy Williams

TINA

Free all Political Prisoners

My name is Tina I'm 7 years Old. I live in the Haight area. I've been going since July. I've been singing song. We have learn about the field nigger. We have learn about the house nigger. To get Freedom is to get the gun and off the pigs.
I am going to free all Political Prisoners by the red book, Huey teaches, and the gun.

Free Rory and Landon
Comrade Tina

PETER

Charles, my name is Peter Hilliard. I'm a student at liberation school. We at the liberation school love you. We love you because you are a part of the big family. I love Huey too, I love Eldridge, I love David and June. I love all revolutionaries.

Panther Power
Peter Hilliard

P.S. I love little Bobby and Bunchy and John

TEDDY

Dear Charles Bursey,

I am a student at the Liberation School in Berkeley and I heard about the pig that put you in jail on August 7, 1969, and we just got through hearing about the lying pig telling lies on you, and you got put in jail. We will free you and Huey too and the rest of the Revolutionaries. So, right on, Charles. All Power to the People.

Panther Power
Teddy

DORIAN

Dear Charles,
RIGHT ON!!!

I love Huey P. Newton and Charles Bursey because you are revolutionaries and you love all the people! All power to Charles Bursey! We're gonna set you free!! I love Bobby Seal and Li'l Bobby and all the people!

Panther Power!!!
Dorian

SEAN

Dear Charles Bursey.

I go to liberation school and I hope you can get out of jail. I wish we could have control of the pig's and get all of the black brother's out of jail. We are fighting very hard against the fascist pigs

Sean

SONI

Hello Charles,

I hope you are feeling good. We hope you can come out of jail, and all of the big family miss you.
SONI

ROBBIN

Dear Bursey,
We are fine in the Liberation School. I am sorry you are in jail.
FREE CHARLES BURSEY!
POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
Robbin

ROCHELLA

There's a pig upon a hill.
If we don't get him, Bursey will.
Sound off: Free Bursey
Bring it on down Free Bursey!

Dear Charles
I know you know me because you know my father and my uncle. I hope you like my song. I have many other songs made up for you.
Truly
Yours
Rochella
Hilliard

LETTER TO AVARICIOUS BUSINESSMEN

Gentlemen:
My subject is Gaberdine's clothing store on East 14th street in Oakland.

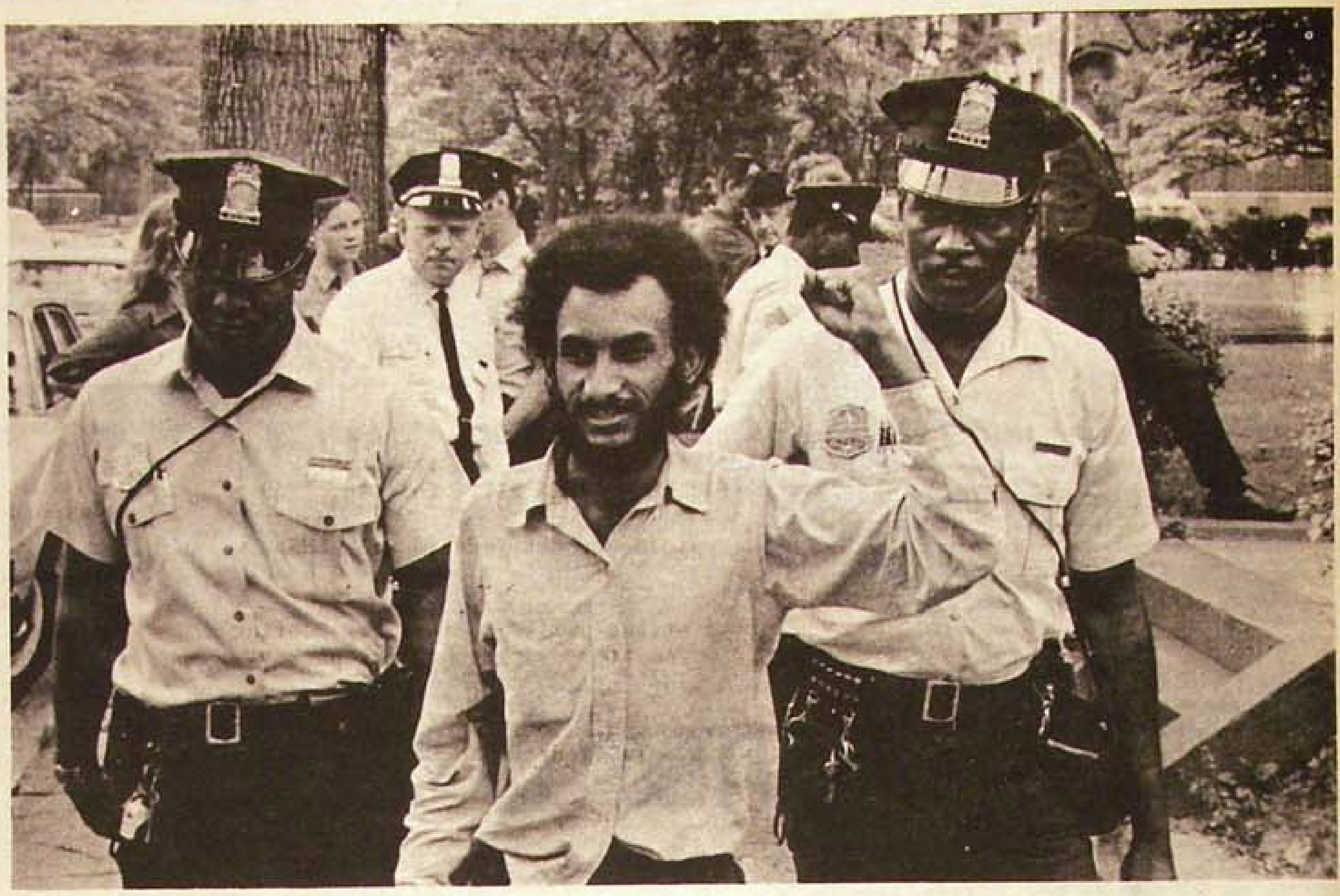
As you may or may not know many Black people deal with that store. As a matter of fact, I would venture to say that 99% of their customers are Black people. It is my impression that they are getting rooked with shady merchandise and false advertising. Additionally, the selling policy of their store leaves a lot to be desired. I noticed, also, there was only one Black person employed there.

A week ago I chanced to walk through, just looking to see if they had improved since the last time I was there 10 years ago. While there I observed a Black woman begging for a partial refund. Several hours before, she had given the store $24.00 of which $7.00 was a down payment on some lay-away merchandise and the balance of $17 was for a cash-and-carry purchase. It seemed that the child at home for whom she had bought the clothes didn't like them, and the lady wanted to return them and get her money. They refused, and she just kept saying, 'Keep the $7.00, but give me back my other money.' I just watched for 10 or 15 minutes, and she was no closer to success when I left than when I first started watching the scene.

I went home and told my daughter to drop in and see if she could find anything to fit her. It so happened there was only one pair of shoes that would, so I bought a pair to round out the sale. The pair she selected cost $5.98 originally, and the pair I bought cost $12.00 originally. While making the purchase on my credit card, I did not notice that they had charged me for the highest priced pair. After we left, my daughter pointed this out to me. I returned, asked how come, and demanded they charge me for the lowest pair. I got absolutely nowhere, with the manager. As a matter of fact, he showed me nothing but utter contempt.

It is my opinion that someone should do something about a store like this. I thought that shady type store had gone out of business in the 1940's. I do intend to write a letter to the Better Business Bureau and the East 14th Street Merchants Association.

Eva



ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS VAMPED ON BY FASCIST PIGS OF WASHINGTON D.C.

U.S. fascist pigs exhibited open terror against a group of Ethiopian students at the Ethiopian Embassy on July 7, 1969. Armed with M-16 rifles and wielding tear gas, the filthy pigs charged wildly on the students who were holding a peace-ful demonstration. This attack on the people by the forces of the pig power structure was attack made by the U.S.--by its racist pig cops who serve pig Nixon and all of those evil lying politicians who say they are serving the people of this decadent American society. They do nothing but oink in the people's faces. They are joined with the avaricious businessmen like Rockefeller, Goodrich, and Eastman who keep their fascist fingers on the money of fascists who make appropriations in the pig capitol Washington D.C.

July 7th was not the first time that the fascists showed their true nature to the Ethiopian people by giving full support to that lying, funky terrorist Haile Selassie and all of the pigs in his reactionary regime. With U.S. military aid (including occupation of U.S. troops in Ethiopia) the regime is terrorizing workers, students, and peasants. Dispossessed peasants are revolting against the feudal exploitation of Ethiopian people. Peasants are kidnapped, shot or hung. Workers on strike have been dismissed, imprisoned, or physically eliminated.

Fourteen Ethiopian students were arbitrarily imprisoned by Washington D.C.'s fascist pig department. Many of their comrades were indiscriminately injured when Nixon's racist pig cops fired wildly at the people. Nixon is a lying pig who sends his racist pig cops out of their fascist precincts to vamp on Ethiopian students because they oppose fascism in Ethiopia. Then he oinks in the face of the people about 'law and order'.

The people must arm themselves against such fools. We must carry on the struggle of all oppressed people against U.S. imperialism. Our struggle against fascism is international in scope. Chairman Mao says, 'Imperialism will not last long because it always does evil things. It persists in grooming and supporting reactionaries in all countries who are against the people (such as Haile Selassie in Ethiopia). It has forcibly seized many colonies and semi-colonies and installed many military bases. It threatens peace with atomic war. Thus, forced by imperialism to do so, more than 90 percent of the people of the world are rising or will rise up in struggle against it. It is the task of the people of the world to put an end to the aggression and oppression perpetrated by imperialism, and chiefly U.S. imperial.'

We must form a United Front Against Fascism!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
Beth Mitchell

REVOLUTION IS INEVITABLE

Every man has the right to receive an education -- to learn all that human history, technology and science have to offer. This right must not and cannot be denied, because the only way that any man can survive, can cope with his environment is if he is fully aware of the things that make up his environment, of the things that aim towards his destruction, and of the things that aid him in his struggle for total liberation.

We are all involved in that struggle for liberation. At this stage of human history and development, all oppressed people throughout the world are involved in the struggle against fascism -- racist pig cops, demagogic politicians, avaricious (greedy) businessmen.

The people of Vietnam have been unjustly subjected to the racist, imperialist, capitalistic reactionary forces that place material gain before human life. It might appear that in standing up against the United States, the mightiest of all the imperialism, that history has imposed too great a task upon the Vietnamese people. But they are achieving their freedom in a way that has aroused the admiration of mankind.

The people of Ethiopia are struggling against feudal oppression and the fascist military forces of the United States who, along with Ethiopian Pig Haile Selassie, have made a fascist bargain. Pig Nixon and Selassie met in Washington, D.C. on July 7th to renew the agreement between the U.S. to suppress all opposition to Haile Selassie's reactionary regime in return for maintaining the most important U.S. fascist pig military base on African soil. Despite the bombing of whole Ethiopian villages, the kidnapping and murdering of Ethiopian students, peasants and workers, the Ethiopian people have resolved to struggle against fascism in Ethiopia until all of their just demands are met, until all political prisoners are freed. And they say to the world that no amount of repression will stop their struggle.

The people of America struggle against the same racist pig cops who function as protectors of the fascist power structure, occupying the Black communities in the same manner and for the same reasons that the fascist U.S. armed forces occupy Vietnam. The greedy businessmen who need those forces to protect themselves against the people in Latin America who are refusing to let the robbery of their communities to go a step further, are the same greedy businessmen who rob the people in the black colonies in America. The lying politicians who oink in the faces of other oppressed countries are the same greasy pigs who oink in the faces of black and other oppressed people in this country.

"The slavery of Blacks in this country provides the oil for the machinery of war that America uses to enslave the peoples of the world. Without this oil the machinery cannot function. We are the driving shaft; we are in such a strategic position, that, once we become dislocated, the functioning of the remainder of that machinery breaks down."

Penned up in the ghettos of America, surrounded by his factories and all the physical components of his economic system, we have been made into the "wretched of the earth," who are relegated to the position of spectrators while the capitalists run their international con game on the suffering peoples.

When the Black Panther Party called for a United Front Against Fascism, it was because there is a need for all groups that oppose the dehumanization, the economic and social exploitation, the brutality and murder, and the miseducation being used by the reactionaries to standing in the way of the people's natural and social development. The pigs are determined to deny Black people the right to receive an education. They know that if people were exposed to the truth about this decadent American society, they would refuse to let the fascists continue to exist.

"The Black Panther Party is an armed body for carrying out the political tasks of the revolution." We realize that it is going to take a revolution for Black people to attain freedom, the power to determine their own destiny, to get full employment for our people, decent housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. The Black Panther Party defends itself with guns not merely for the sake of defending itself, but to organize the people, arm them, and help them to establish revolutionary political power. We are here to serve the people by educating them, exposing the true nature of this decadent American society. The Black Panther Party has initiated a program to serve Free Breakfasts to our children. This exposed the avaricious (greedy) businessmen in Black communities nationwide. The Liberation Schools being instituted in all branches and chapters are schools in which our children can receive a true education. Without knowledge of our history and our role in the present day society, we have little chance to relate to anything else.

Revolutionaries have been jailed and revolutionaries have been murdered by the pigs in their fascistic attempts to stop the revolution. Pure fascism is here -- illegal searches, phony charges (N.Y. 21, Jersey 3, Denver 2, Chicago 16, Connecticut 10,) high bails ($200,000 each for Rory and Landon; $100,000 each for the 21), massive arrests. The charges made against the Black Panther Party are examples of the lies perpetuated by a system which thrives on the oppression of the masses of the people. All of their actions are done in the guise of democracy "Law and Order." All of the reactionary, racist, imperialistic fascists are beginning to see that they can no longer miseducate. With each repressive action taken by those reactionary fools, more and more people are becoming aware of the fact that the so-called educational institutions are pig factories being protected by fascist forces to uphold, maintain, and teach people to support the fascists. Students all over the U.S. have demonstrated, held sit-ins, protested the institutions. As Eldridge said, "In the final analysis, the struggle that is now going on on the college campuses cannot be settled on the campuses, it has to be settled in the community."

No amount of repression will stop the Black Panther Party in its struggle against Fascism. "Revolutions and revolutionary wars are inevitable in class society, and without them, it is impossible to accomplish any leap in social development and to overthrow the reactionary ruling classes and therefore impossible for the people to win political power." The reactionary forces can jail a revolutionary, but they can't jail a revolution!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD
FREE HUEY
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
Beth Mitchell
Black Panther Party
Harlem Branch
Min. of Information

FASCIST PIGS DENY FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

This Capitalist System has corrupted the minds of the poor and oppressed people of the world. The Black Panther Community News Service, recognizes that misinformation is the raw material for funny ideas.



Gail Spillard

On the morning of August 1, 1969, many Panthers left the San Francisco Branch of the Black Panther Party to go into the streets to inform the masses of the fascist conditions that exist in this decadent American society.

In the early morning hours, the San Francisco Bus Terminal is a central location for city workers. We proceeded to this location, along with four other Panthers with papers . On arrival we split up into different areas. We stationed ourselves at the two doors through which the workers pass, for arrival and departure of buses. We sold papers there for about one hour. The workers were steadily buying papers. The fascist State pig saw this and ordered us to move. We went down to the sidewalk where another brother was selling papers, off of the so-called State Property. We sold papers and educated the workers there for one hour.

Brother Harold Holmes had to return early in order to teach the young minds of the revolutionary brothers and sisters, at the San Francisco Liberation School, which is located at 1642 Ellis St. In the Fillmore District. We also wanted to return to continue to sell the remainder of our papers on Sutter & Fillmore. We walked up to where we could catch the bus back, when we saw two brothers from Vietnam, also waiting of the bus. Naturally they wanted a paper, and were interested in hearing about the Black Panther Party. Harold gave them a paper and told them that the war they had fought was an unjust war, and now they have to join a just war.

At that time the Fascist State Pig came out and told us to come down to his office. We asked him for a reason and he gave none. We then informed him of our Constitutional Rights, as he didn't appear to know them. Ignoring this, he grabbed Harold by the back of his jacket and pushed him into the Terminal. He also grabbed Gail's arm and pushed her into the terminal with the attempt to get us downstairs. On our way downstairs the two soldiers and a bus driver followed us down. The three brothers questioned the pig, which is their Constitutional Right, as to why and where he was taking us. He told them to shut up and to get out or he would arrest them. Recognizing that his oink was invalid, they continued to follow us to the Pig's office. As we proceeded to the Pig's office, a pregnant sister saw the harassment by the pig and took interest.

In the office, Pig Montgomery, asked us for our I D We had none. He then told us we were under arrest for non-possession of identification. He asked for our names. We told him. He asked for our address. We told him. He asked if it was an apartment or a residence. We told him that we took "five". The fool pig thought it was the apartment number, showing that he didn't know the fifth amendment. He still continued to ask and harass us about further information. We kept telling him we took the fifth amendment. He told us he didn't want to hear that "five" bit . The sergeant pig came in and checked on the address and said, "That's the Black Panther Office". That's when further harassment was shown. When they took us to the back of the office, Harold tried to give the sister, standing in the doorway, the papers so the pig wouldn't get them because, they take them and don't give them back. The pig snatched the papers out of the sister's hands and then told us to go in the back. Montgomery searched Harold like a freak and then threw him into the cell. Then pig Montgomery told us to take off our coats. He searched them also.

The pig sargeant, then called down to City Prison and said, "We got some Black Panthers down here." When the pigs came down there with the pig wagon, Montgomery told them our charge was 647-E. Gail heard them say, in reference to Panthers. "Oh' yeah, they're some smart bastards. Pig 1106 then came to handcuff Gail & Sharla together. He asked pig Montgomery if Sharla was a girl or a boy. Sharla has a large natural, was wearing large earrings, and her measurements are 36-23-38 so you can see the harassment right there. Pig 213 then handcuffed Harold. We could see that the handcuffs hurt by the expressions on Harold's face. They put all three of us into the pig wagon en route to city prison on Bryant St.



Sharla Hampton

After we had arrived in the basement of the pig pen, pigs 213 and 1106 asked each other for the rubber hose. They also commented on Eldridge and asked when he would be back. We went up to the floor on which they booked us and put us in jail. As they were booking us the typist asked what we were charged with. Pig 1106 said it was either 647-E. or 647-C. He also said that it didn't matter because they could add a couple of more charges onto that. They took our finger prints and mugshots and put us in the tank with about 20 other sisters. Harold was confined for further abuse by the pigs for not having his draft card with him.



Harold Holmes

The pig, Montgomery, told us we had been charged with nonposession of identification. Not until we reached the bail bondsman's did we find out what 647-E. was. It wasn't for non-posession of identification it was for loitering.

Chairman Mao says that it is good if we are attacked by the enemy, since it proves that we have drawn a clear line of demarcation between the enemy and ourselves. It is still better if the enemy attacks us wildly and paints us as utterly black and without a single virtue; it demonstrates that we have not only drawn a clear line of demarcation between the enemy and ourselves but acheived a great deal in our work.

The Black Panther Newspaper is the most vital tool for organizing the masses. Right on!

Free All Political Prisoners!
All Power To The Vnaguard

Free All Political Prisoners!
All Power To The Workers!
Panther Power To The Vanguard!

Gail Noldon
Sharla Hampton

THE GRAVEDIGGERS DIG AGAIN!

August 2, 1969

Richmond California. The protectors of the ruling class once more showed the masses of the people what they think of them. At about 2:00 p.m. the pigs vamped on the lumpen brothers, as if they (the lumpen) were a serious threat to the gambling syndicate in Reno. The scene took place on the corner of Truman and Chesley streets right down the street from the Black Panther Office of Richmond. At this time Bobby Bowen (Defense Captain), Sister Cynthia, an elderly brother and myself were in the office. We had been listening to Eldridge's record "Dig" and the elderly brother, who had been living in Richmond since 1943, was telling us some of the experiences he had encountered with the pigs. He (the elderly brother) was telling us how the plain clothes pigs would always masquerade as "one of the people" just long enough for his pig counter-parts to run to the set to help him subdue the "criminal type people".

The brother was blowing when all of a sudden we heard a loud crashlike an accident. So we, Bobby and myself, went to investigate. We arrived on the set in time to see the pigs pile out of their mobile pig pens like the gang busters they are, with their clubs drawn and the mace polluting the already polluted air. It was obvious that the arrest procedure wasn't designed just to bust up a "gambling" game, but was designed rather to provoke a "riot"--Dig it?

It was well plotted. The racist pigs employed a pork-chop opportunist, bootlicking, sellout nigger, to bust the brothers. This jive buffoon had been hanging around on the corner where the brothers were gambling all morning so he could point his finger at the "culprits". This he did with great zest once his counterparts oinked into the set. After the bust had reached its high pitch, the pigs were sticking the brothers in the ribs and back with their long--long sticks. One brother told us that the "only brothers that were arrested were the ones who were indecisive for a moment. The rest got away clean."

So pigs, right on--the more you oppress the people the deeper the hatred and understanding becomes on the part of the people. By treating the people like they were dirt, you are dealing with the "dirt" that will surely cover your disgusting pig bodies.

"Right on"
"ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE"
"DARE TO STRUGGLE, DARE TO WIN"
"FREE HUEY"
Black Panther Party,
Richmond Branch

KANSAS CITY B.P.P. PROVIDES FREE MEDICAL CARE

The Kansas City Chapter of the Black Panther Party, is happy to announce the opening of its FREE HEALTH CLINIC, for the benefit of the poor and oppressed masses.

We know, from investigation, that the conditions of the masses of the people in this community does not provide adequate incomes in order to receive the best of medical care.

Also the present system of government does not recognize these needs as being imperative.

Therefore, since the present system does not recognize these needs, the Black Panther Party is implementing this Free Clinic, in order to provide the most essential and basic medical care possible.

This Clinic will be free of charge to all who are in need and require assistance. This is the People's Clinic.

The Clinic will be dedicated in the name of "The BOBBY HUTTON COMMUNITY CLINIC and presently, we are requesting the services of any professional doctors and nurses, who may be able to volunteer on a part-time or full-time basis. Also, any donations of money or medical supplies and equipment is being accepted at the Clinic, located over John's Pharmacy, at 31st and Jackson.

FOR FURHTER INFORMATION, CALL: 924-3206 or come by the Black Panther Office
2905 Prospect Ave.
Kansas City, Missouri

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

LIBERATION SCHOOL

On July 20, 1969 a Liberation School was opened in Queens (Corona Section). The registration accumulated over 90 children. The registration was opened the previous Thursday. On the first day of school 82 children were present. There has been an average of over 60 kids a day in the three days the school has been opened. The instructors are all Panthers including the aids. The school is held at the Malcolm X center located at 101-16 Northern Blvd, Corona, New York. The children range in age from 2-16, whereas the majority of the group is from 9-13. The classes taught vary according to the children's ages. The children are fed lunch daily from 12 noon until all kids are fed and satisfied. The school opens at 11am daily. It ends at 3pm Mon. - Fri. The avaricious businessman could never donate enough. Money is spent daily out of party funds to assure that all the children are fed a good lunch. (The spirit of the people is greater than the man's technology). Even after one of the instructors and one aid were busted by the pigs the school continues in full swing with better cooperation from the people.

The school is broken up into three groups due to the vast difference of age. 2-4 yr. olds are taught by Doris Bush and Thelma Davis. 5-9 yr. olds are taught by Claudia Chesson and Gina Bryant. 10-15 yr. olds are taught by Ronald Morris.

Doris Bush is the coordinator of the Liberation School. This sister has proven herself with the other insturctors to be dedicated to the fullest extent to the revolutionary cause through her deeds and acts. The instructors have not in any way been slack in their work or slow to respond to the revolutionary cause. (All Power to the People).

The Liberation School has heightened the contradictions among the masses and brought a lot of support from the community.

Meeting the needs and desires of the people from the street lights to the Liberation School has brought the struggle in the community and surrounding areas to a higher level.

People are asking members of the Party to run in the community politician spots to bring a revolutionary change in the community. This is the type of effect the Liberation School has had on the community people in Corona.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD
FREE THE PANTHER 21
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
FREE HUEY!

Black Panther Party, N.Y. Chapter
Queens Branch, Corona Section



Liberation School Produces Eager Young Revolutionaries

SERVING THE PEOPLE



Randolph, Liberation School National Coordinator, with Children.

This is a proposal for the tactics of a Black Panther Party Free Medical Program which can be instituted by any chapter. It involves a minimum of financial outlay and technology, and a maximum of cadre contact with the community, a maximum of medical benefit to the community, and a maximum of political education for the community.

Black Panther Party Health Cadre Six Month Program to Rid This Community of Preventable Disease.

FIRST MONTH - anemia ("low blood") prevention month. Thirty percent of poor people in the USA have low blood. Low blood is caused by malnutrition, intestinal worms, heavy menstruation or other disease. It makes the people weak and tired, and shortens their life.

Health cadre members will cover the community door to door and on the street. Fingerstick blood tests will be done to uncover the anemia. Each case we find will be treated.

SECOND MONTH - intestinal worm prevention month. One out of ten poor people in the USA have intestinal worms ("parasites"). They live in our gut and make us sick by drinking our blood, eating the food we swallow, and causing diarrhea. These worms are easily prevented, but our government likes them because it keeps oppressed people weak and sick. Health cadre members will take shit samples from everyone and look for worms under a microscope. If you have worms, we will give you medicine and advice to get rid of them.

THIRD MONTH - malnutrition prevention month. Two-thirds of the people of the world are malnourished, that is, they don't get enough food for their body to properly do its work. In this community, we are part of that two-thirds. By acting intelligently, we can improve our nutrition.

Health cadre members will visit the homes in the community and tell the people how to shop and eat intelligently. The Free Breakfast for Children is the way to get enough food for our children. We will stop malnutrition by any means necessary.

FOURTH MONTH - weapon safety month. Our people live in frustration, and many times we fight each other with knives, clubs or guns because we don't know any better way to rebel. This is just what the man wants us to do; that way, he escapes our wrath because we take it out on each other. Using guns, knives, grenades, etc. is the only way to counteract the armed rulers of our country. But it is foolish to use them on each other.

Health cadre members this month will talk to community members about why the nature of this society makes it necessary to have weapons, and why it is important to use them intelligently.

FIFTH MONTH - eye and ear month. The health cadre will bring portable eye and ear testing machines into everyone's home looking for hearing problems and visual problems. We will help you solve these problems so that you and your family will be able to see and hear what's going on.

SIXTH MONTH - mouth care month. The health cadre will examine the mouths of the people for tooth cavities, vitamin deficiency and gum inflammation. Most poor people's teeth rot out on them by the time they are 40 because of improper care and diet. We will advise you of your condition, tell you where to get it treated, and tell you how to take care of your teeth and gums.

In addition, the Black Panther Party on Staten Island offers continuing medical treatment of drug addiction and complete help in getting out of the draft. Notify a health cadre member if you can use these services.

Submitted by
Health cadre, Staten Island Branch
Black Panther Party

FASCIST POWER STRUCTURE COPIES PANTHER BREAKFAST PROGRAM

While an interview was being given to a reporter about the Breakfast Program, it was brought to the attention of the Ministry of Information that the power structure had made strides to implement a Breakfast Program for School Children in the fall. He wondered what our reaction would be to this and we related, right on. We want the children fed, and if it takes the vanguard party to show the piggish administration how to serve the people istead of exploiting them, then we say right on again.

Now if this program is to be a true program and initiated without strings attached part of the problem would be solved. But we must not be fooled into believing that the oppressor is going to give up something to the people without gaining something in return. We must adopt a "wait and see" attitude, but while we wait and see we do not intend to stop serving the people. So, the answer to the reporter who wanted to know if we would close down our program, is HELL NO! Too many programs have been proposed by the power structure only to be left swinging in the wind. The Black Panther Party will serve Breakfast for Children, right on.

The Liberation School has run into a temporary road block, as was the case with the Breakfast Program. Finding a place to have it is our problem. We cannot open in the same place that we have the Breakfast Program because, they have other programs already implemented there.

We are working on the United Front Against Fascism, so that success and progress will be a joint venture.

The Black Panther Party seeks no recognition for serving the people. The people see by actions and examples that we are their servants. All across the country our Breakfast Programs have been implemented. The peoples United Front in the fight against fascism will be developed all across this decadent fascist society and we shall hound the oppressor till his doom, right on.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
CONGRADULATIONS TO THE RAGE AND KATHLEEN
FREE HUEY AND ALL OUR COMRADES
Donald Campbell,
Deputy Minister of Information
Indiana Chapter (Indianapolis)



PIGS INTENSIFY EFFORTS TO DESTROY SAN DIEGO PANTHERS

On July 22, three car loads of fascist dog pigs vamped on Panther brother Anthony Dumas, jamming him with questions such as, "Is Jimmy Johnson or Ronald Freeman in charge of the San Diego Branch?" "Did they come to teach the members of the San Diego Branch how to deal with the pigs?", and "Do you really believe that the Black Panther Party could wipe out fascism?"

The harassment continued on into the following day when two fascist pigs of the power structure swooped on two comrades, Lydia Runnels and Plez Bolden, while they were conducting political work. These were just a few of the gestapo fascists who conducted terror tactics in our Black community. The lying, racist pigs told the comrades that the Black Panther Party was deceiving the Black people and if they caught them selling papers or even on the streets that they would kill on sight. That is FASCISM itself.

On the 24th, the fascist pigs vamped on another brother, Sonny Ackles, while he was in route to inform three other Panthers that the pigs were swooping through the alleys. Shots were fired, but all four Panthers managed to get away. (Panther Power)

While doing political work, Walter Wallace and Mo Moran were stopped, and Walter was arrested on traffic warrants. He was released on O.R. (own recognizance) Walter Wallace was busted again on August 4th and charged with being under the influence. He has not been released. On the 30th of July, the fascist dogs chased three brothers, Jimmy Johnson, Zeke Tate, and Sylvester Bell down an alley. They shot and blocked off the streets, but they failed to catch any of them. These are just some of the terror tactics used by the power structure's pig forces to keep the Black Panther Party and the people of the community down. But we are subversive to the fascism that's going on in this country today. We will move to a higher level. "When the enemy attacks us it is not a bad thing, it is a good thing since it proves that we have drawn a clear line of demarcation between the enemy and ourselves." (Mao)

Panther Power to the Vanguard
Free All Political Prisoners
Long Live the Minister of Defense

PUBLIC SERVANTS

It is good, from time to time, to remind ourselves that public servants ARE public servants.

We pay their grunt, and in return they are supposed to give us service which aid and convenience us.

This applies especially to the cops who are the public servants we are most likely to make contact with, for good or ill, from day to day.

When some clown like the sheriff of Alameda County, or our super sheriff in Sacramento, begins to make noises like Louis the Sun King, it's time to remember that we pay the salaries of these babies. They are supposed to be responsive to us, not to dictate to us.

If we remind public servants that they are public servants--gently at first and maybe forcibly later--we are certain to improve the quality of public service.

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The concern that some people have about the police and some of present modes of behavior is eloquently expressed in a letter I got recently from a man in Davis, of age 52.

'My God, can't intelligent people see what's happening? If they don't remember Hitler, at least they can read. Or do they just sit and stare vacantly at the boob tube, hour after vacuous hour?

"Anything Herr Reagan or the pigs do is perfectly all right, so long as it happens to them-there, and not to me-here. Shooting (in the back, yet), beatings, and God-knows-what, and all WITHOUT OUT ARREST. The pigs become the judge, jury and executioner, on the spot.

"People parroting Reagan speak of 'law and order.' This slogan got Hitler elected Chancellor, and led to the Third Reich. The actions of the pigs in the recent Berkeley mess, and at Santa Rita, were neither law nor order.

"The sworn duty of the police is to uphold the law, and to protect those who are in their custody, not matter what the suspect has done , or they think he has done. They are not, under any circumstances, to mete out and punishment. Period.

"..There is a distinct line-up, now, of the 'pigs vs. the people.' It is becoming more clearly evident every day. Witness the increased use of military jargon by the police, when discussing any action. Little Ronnie Reagan uses such terms as 'hand-to-hand-combat,' etc., and sounds like a battle-shocked veteran who is ready for a long R and R and psychiatric treatment, in my opinion."

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I have long maintained that the cops are not better or no worse than the society which had produced them. Most of the work the cops do, like picking up winos and whores and bootmakers are functions which are intended to ease the conscience of society. In fact, most of the work the cops do is not even remotely connected with crime or criminals, but merely with behavior which is looked on with favor by the majority. Often this majority is one which existed hundreds of years ago, and simply isn't there anymore. But the "laws" are.

There is a good case to be made for the idea that all city charters should be revised to give control of the police to community-selected neighborhood councils so that those whom the police serve will be able to set police policy and standards of conduct.

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This charter amendment could provide for community control of the police by establishing police departments for the major communities of any city: the Black community, the predominantly white area, the Mexican-American communities, etc. The departments would be separate and autonomous and could, by mutual agreement, use common facilities.

The cops and their functions are going to have to be reexamined, and seriously, one of these days. They are doing too many things they shouldn't be doing, and too few that they should. They are public servants. They need, and should be given, direction.

taken from "The Fearless Spectator" by Charles McCabe

VIGILANTES WAGE TERRORISM CAMPAIGN IN HOUSTON

(Reprinted from Liberation News Service)

A bomb exploded in the office of Houston's new left bi-weekly tabloid, Space City News, early Saturday, July 26. Damage was minor, although one staff member barely escaped injury.

The bombing is believed to be the work of right wing vigilantes, probably belonging to the Ku Klux Klan.

The bomb, a home made device, was apparently intended only as a warning. It caused no real damage, although windows in three rooms were shattered. Immediately after the bombing someone called on the telephone and said: You're gonna be dead motherfuckers if you don't quit messing around."

Two persons were in the office at the time of the bombing. A 26-year-old chemical plant worker associated with the paper saw the man who threw the bomb and gave chase. As he ran through the front door, the device exploded behind him. The bomber jumped into a car parked around the corner and sped away. The car's license plates were covered with cloth.

Right wing terrorist activity is commonplace in Houston: white radicals, black militants and even local liberals have had their homes and cars shot up many times in the past. Previously, harassment was occasional and scattered, but within the last few weeks it has become more organized and concentrated. Right wing elements, with what appears to be tacit support of the police, are waging a systematic campaign to drive from Houston all leftists, especially those who have worked within or supported the black liberation struggle.

In addition to the Space City News bombing, the following events have occurred within the last two months:

--On May 27, a car belonging to University of Houston SDS members was firebombed. The car was parked in front of an SDS house near the UH campus. The tires were slashed early in the evening and the car was bombed at 10:15 p.m. The car was totaled. SDS member Wayne Draznin said, "This action is clearly intended to be taken as a warning of escalation."

--While local SDS members were in Chicago attending the June SDS convention, two of their homes, located on opposite sides of town, were broken into and robbed. It was clear that the robberies were political. Items stolen included a mimeograph maching a typewriter, two filing cabinets, guns, movement literature, and other items used in organizing work.

--A red, white and blue arrow was shot into the front of an SDS house. On it was the message: "The White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is watching you."

--Wayne Draznin's prophecy of escalation has been fulfilled within the last week. Early Friday morning, July 25, the vigilantes were especially busy. They slashed the tires of a car parked in front of the Space City News office. They fired five bullets into the upstairs window of a local SDS home. A car belonging to SDS members was riddled with bullets. And an apartment belonging to SDS organizer Bartee Haile was robbed and vandalized: everything of value was stolen, including files and movement correspondence, and the apartment was demolished -- clothing was slashed with a knife, food was strewn all over the floor.

Late Friday night, an SDS house received a telephone call from a man who identified himself as the Grand Titan (sort of a province chief or county chairman) of the United Klans of America. He talked with SDSers for two hours, attempting to scare them with all the information he had about their everyday activities. And he was, indeed, very well versed. According to Doug Bernhardt of SDS, the alleged Grand Titan knew details about his past that he thought no one but his mother knew.

Few places in this country have experienced this kind of systematic terrorism from right wing vigilantes directed at white radicals. Local leftist fear that the frequency and degree of repressive violence here will continue to escalate. Heavy raps on security are underway: methods of armed self-defense are being worked out.

Thomas Dreyer

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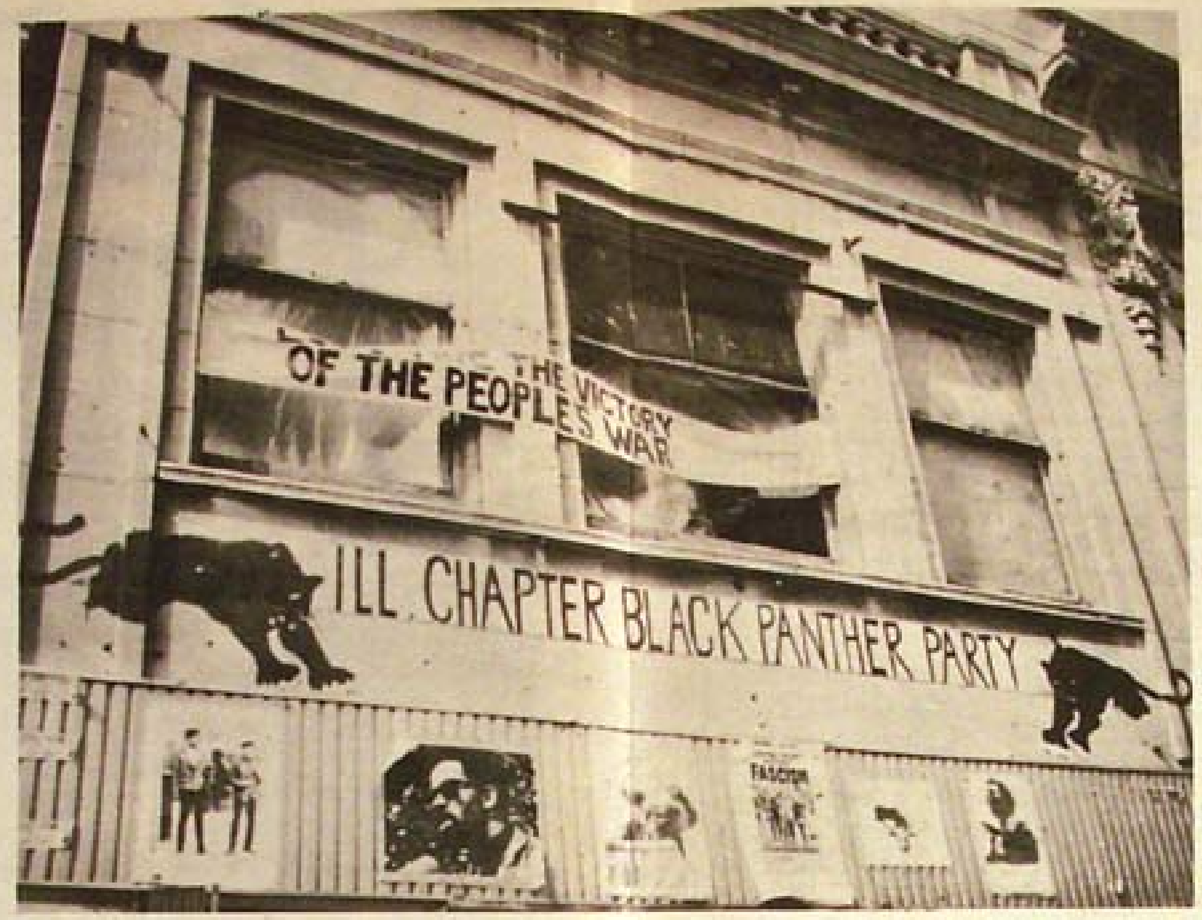
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Larry White said he remembered that after he and Alvin were brought downstairs he saw the pigs throw gasoline all over the walls and floors. The pigs stated that our office was burning during the time the brothers were still in the office shooting. The top floor was burnt out completely. We say if a fire was going on while the brothers were still in the office and a tear gas cannister was supposedly the cause, how were these brothers able to hold the office so long. And why, after they had been taken to the hospital, was there no mention of smoke inhalation or any tear gas symptoms? We know that the pigs set fire to our office. And we want all the people to know what these murderous dogs did and will continue to do unless brothers like these who shot back when attacked by the fascist cops, continue to say we will not allow these pigs to wantonly come into our community brutalizing and murdering our people, burning our homes and offices and terrorizing our children. The fascist tactics used by the pigs must be stopped. We, as members of the Peoples Army, have an undying love for the oppressed masses and for our comrades. And if at any time they are attacked we will protect them by any means necessary.

Damages done to the office were estimated at about $6,000. All of the latest newspapers that were left were burned, desks, 6 typewriters, 4 mimeograph machines, reams of paper, baby food for babies in the community, Breakfast for Children supplies, and posters were burned. Our refrigerator and stove were torn from the walls and beat with axes, fixtures for lights were ripped from the ceilings and the fuse box was torn out of the wall so we have no light. Repairs are being made at the 2350 office address and our office will continue to serve the people in this community. The people in our community have shown us all our concern for the party. They are in the process of helping us repair our office. They have seen an overt act of fascism and now that they realize what it really is, they understand that not only can it happen to the Black Panther Party office but it can happen to them also. The People Say Community Control (decentralization) of the police must be instituted immediately.

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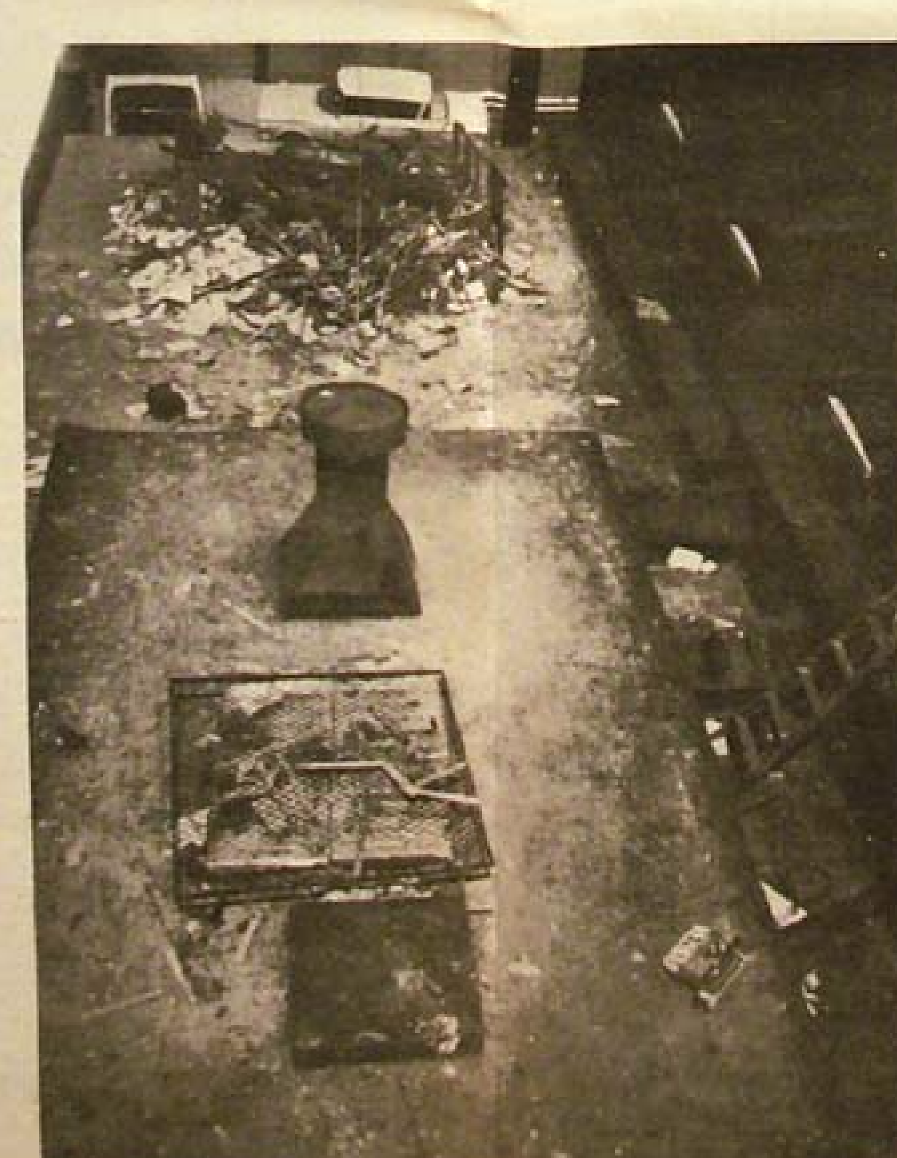
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Evidence of Pigs' Fascist Attack Remains for All to See.

ATTACKING FASCIST PIG TROOPS TURNED BACK BY PEOPLE'S ARMY

Early Thursday morning, July 31, three blue and white cars drove up in front of the office of the peoples' army, the Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party. The gestapo pigs then got out and like drunk maniacs with guns, which they are, started to shoot up into the office in the hope that they might be able to murder some of the servants of the people, members of the Black Panther Party, who feed hungry children every day, open up free medical health clinics, and serve other needs of the people in our oppressed communities. These fools believed they would be able to shoot at Pete, Alvin, and Larry, Panthers-in-Training of the Black Panther Party and that these brothers would not protect themselves, simply because the people shooting at them wore blue uniforms and called themselves POLICE. But the pigs were shocked damn near to death when their fire was returned by brothers, Pete, Alvin, and Larry, who along with others have devoted their lives to the service of the people. The blind, ignorant pigs failed to finish what they had started by shooting and in turn they were the ones that got shot.

The blind, poor-shooting pigs finally gained entrance to the office Once they were in and thought the people of the community could no longer see them, they proceeded to take out their blind anger on things which could not defend themselves such as furniture, newspaper, and food. They attempted to set fire to the office in the hope that they might destroy our food (which we use to feed hungry children) and office equipment. Along with their attempt at arson, these punks, these poor-shooting, maniacal, mechanical pigs acted in the ture nature of Al Capone. This gang of terrorists, commonly known as the Chicago Police Department, stole close to $500.00 and burglarized the office. They did this in the hope of stopping the Black Panther Party from meeting the needs of the people. The Party money that these punks stole was to be used to feed hungry children, and the office equipment they damaged was being used to tell people about gestapo acts just like this one which the pigs commit every day.

These nervous pig punks arrested the brothers when they failed to shoot Larry, Alvin, and Pete. After thoroughly handcuffing them so they could no longer defend themselves, these sissy pigs then proceeded to beat and brutalize these brothers whose only crime was to defend themselves against a gang of murderers. This incident shows to the people of the community that we must move to put into action No. 7 of the Black Panther Party Ten Point Platform which says, 'We want an immediate end to police brutality and murder of Black people.' We must arm ourselves so that we may defend ourselves against these armed and dangerous maniacs known as POLICE. Once we have armed ourselves, we have to stand together for our own protection, because if they can shoot into and attempt to burn the Black Panther Party office and make it legal, then surely they can break into peoples' homes with their brutal fascist gestapo pig tactics and kill anyone. As outlined by our Minister of Defense, HUEY P. NEWTON, we must draw the line at the threshold of our doorstep. For anyone who kicks down our door, or just comes in our door in a rowdy fashion, we don't care if they have 12 gadges, 16 uniforms, and 36 squad cars. The St. Valentine's Day massacre shows us that everyone wearing a uniform is not an officer of the law; and therefore, once they have stepped outside the realms of legality into the realms of illegality, they shall be treated as an outlaw.

FREE HUEY!
LONG LIVE FRED HAMPTON!
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Illinois Chapter
Black Panther Party

HARLEM : A&P REFUSES TO DONATE TO FREE BREAKFAST

The Harlem community and the Black Panther Party are working together to feed the hungry children of Harlem, one of the most exploited Black colonies. Until the close of the school year, we served Breakfast free every morning before school at Friendship Baptist Church (131st near 7th Ave.) We have continued the program through the summer at All Saint's Catholic Church (130th and Madison) and Saint Mark's Methodist Church (137th and St. Nicholas).

The food for the Free Breakfast for Children Program is supplied by the merchants in the Harlem community. These are the same avaricious businessmen who exploit the Harlem community and Black workers daily and take huge profits out of the community. Some of the merchants have been very cooperative and have agreed to return some of these profits in the form of food for our children. But the racist, avaricious (greedy) businessmen at A & P FoodStores who specialize in overworking, underpaying and overcharging the working people have refused to feed the children. When we asked them to donate to the Free Breakfast Program, they oinked, "We spend too much money as it is on donations to the community." After we explained what the Free Breakfast Program was all about and then how much money A & P took from Harlem, the head pig of the entire A & P chain showed the people of Harlem that A & P does not intend to give our people anything in return for the exploitation conducted by these greedy pigs. "We'll give you $10 a year, we won't give you any more."

The Black Panther Party calls upon the people of Harlem to demand that the greedy capitalists at A & P end their robbery of our Black Community. A & P must donate to the Free Breakfast Program and feed our children. We cannot and will not allow these filthy pigs the right to exploit our community every day and then oink about returning $10 a year.

"If the U.S monopoly capitalist groups persist in pushing their policies of aggression and war, the day is bound to come when they will be hanged by the people of the whole world. The same fate awaits the accomplices of the United States."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BETH MITCHELL

ASU SUPPORTS B.P.P.

New York City, N.Y. July 29. Andy Stapp, Chairman of the American Servicemen's Union has directed members of the ASU to support the Black Panther Party and has called for the immediate release of Huey P. Newton. The call for support for the Panthers came in an open letter to Bobby Seale in the July 22 issue of the BOND, newspaper of the ASU. The open letter said in part:

"I send greetings of fraternal solidarity to the Black Panther Party's United Front Against Fascism Conference in Oakland, Calif.

"The Black Panther Party is the special target of extreme repression from those wealthy and powerful interests who rule America because this organization has given heroic leadership to the tens of millions of Afro-American people who comprise the oppressed black colony with the U.S. Fifteen members of the Black Panther Party have been murdered by racist cops trying to disrupt and wipe out those forces who fight for the freedom of the oppressed.

"The American Servicemen's Union demands that all GIs unjustly held in the Brass' stockades be released immediately and that Huey P. Newton, the imprisoned Minister of Defence of the Black Panther Party, and all jailed Panthers be set free."

KANSAS CITY PURGE

The Kansas City Chapter of the B.P.P. as of July 31, 1969 purges the following renegades and counter-revolutionary reactionaries from its ranks.

Dennis O'Neal
John Burges
Geraldine Davis
Vernon Tatum
Charise Allen
Diane Williams
Larry Johnson
Steve Sayers
Theresa Gray
Maurice Galbreth
Archie Weaver
Nadine Whitney
Lonnel Marshall, Alias, Ice Cubes.
Robert Lee Newman Alias, Robert Lee Finner, Right-On Newman.

He was a renegade and adventurist. Did not have faith in the People or the Party.

Jackie Campbell Alias, Sharon Cooper, Sister Right-on. She was a fool and a renegade. She let her man, Robert Newman, put her back on the streets selling her stuff. She did not want to serve the people.

Linda Mosley. She was a fool who joined the party to catch a man. When she could not she tried to disrupt the unity in the party.

ALL POWER
FREE HUEY
BRIAN O'NEAL



STOP FASCIST REPRESSION BEFORE IT STOPS YOU

In New York City 21 Panthers were jailed on $100,000 bail each and charged -- not with any overt act, but with "conspiracy." Conspiracy to blow up department stores in which black and white people shop and work! The Panthers have justly asked why anyone would want to blow up the people they are trying to organize. But this is the distorted picture the major white press has been trying to present.

Now there is word that the government is planning more mass arrests in N.Y. - for conspiracy to blow up the jails in which the other Panthers are held! All that is needed for a "conspiracy" charge is the word of some informer or police plant about some conversation that supposedly took place. This after generations of lynchings, beatings, burnings and terror by the Klan and other racist forces which have hardly ever received token punishment, much less been stopped ahead of time by means of conspiracy charges.

The Black Panther Party is an organization struggling for the liberation of Black people after 400 years of oppression. their greeting is "Power to the people." They have set up free Breakfast Programs for School Children in several cities. They believe in black and white working people fighting for control of their lives against the power of the billionaires and bankers who rule this country. They also believe in the right of Black people to defend their persons, homes and families against racist attacks even if it emanates from someone in a blue uniform. They have been growing very rapidly. For these reasons the government has been repressing the Panthers in cities throughout the country.

WE MUST EXPOSE THE REAL CONSPIRATORS-THE U.S. RULING CLASS, IN ORDER TO STOP THEM!

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242-9225, 675-2520

LETTER FROM EDWARD JOSEPH

All Power to the People:

The fascist pig power structure is doomed. Capitalism and all its lackies are doomed and as a result, its products of exploitation, genocide, racism and suppression of the peoples' rights are doomed.

Knowing that the peoples' ever growing awareness signifies their inevitable fate, they, the fascists, seek to buy time by making vicious attacks on our revolutionary forces. Hopefully, their attacks will discourage others who are thinking about rising up against this evil system. What these blunderous fools fail to realize is that these same attacks that they believe are wiping out the revolutionary movement, are acting as a STIMULUS to oppressed people and helping to intensify the struggle. They cannot seem to accept the fact that you can jail a revolutionary but you can't jail a revolution.

Under this flood of pressure many of your reputation seeking, button wearing, vacillating paper panthers will show their true reactionary nature. By the same token, those brothers and sisters who truly love the revolution and wish to serve the people will bloom in revolutionary greatness.

It is most important that they, the masses, understand the factors that compose the power base of this system. This point is best explained by our Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton. "The oppressor must be harassed until his doom. He must have no peace by day or by night. The slaves have always outnumbered the slave masters. The power of the oppressor rests upon the submission of the people."



Here in prison this fact becomes even more evident. The concentration camp I am being detained in is overflowing with poor black and Puerto Rican people. One can't help but notice that the presence of mental bondage exists even more than does physical detention. But yet, these brothers unknowingly have already begun to strike out against the system. The brothers here are very receptive and once we began to show them the contradictions that exist within this society, these mental blocks began to fade. When the brothers started having P.E. classes, the response was great. It is just a matter of time before the brothers totally reject the ideas that the pigs have tried to put in their minds and bring this repressive dehumanization process to an end.

The story is the same here as it is the world over. Whenever oppression exists, there exists those who will rise up against oppression. As long as pig brutality and suppression exists our people's struggle will continue to grow. Surely no one can doubt the fact that the oppressed masses of the world will be victorious in their fight for liberation.

All Power to the People
Black Power to Black People
Panther Power to the Vanguard.
Edward Joseph (Jamal)

Letter from Jail, Dr. Curtis Powell

Hog Nixon is a puppet and a stooge for the military-economic dictators - the Few. Thus he says "...the American people in our cities..., are fed up to here with violence and lawlessness...". Pig Procaccino, running for mayor of New York, when asked on how he would "handle minority groups" cited his father as an example: "He'd go to their funerals,. . . it was remarkable his rapport with the colored people." That is the racist approach to rapport with Black People - to go to their funerals. That is a good indication of their Law and Order. Let us look at this Law and Order.

Who are the real lawless? Law and Order for who? Where does justice fit in? Why is it never mentioned? In this society, justice is by the Rich, of the Rich, for the Rich. Law and Order is for the rest of us. The pigs are not in the streets to protect human life or human rights, but they are there only to protect property (buildings, money, etc.), and to protect it well. Never before in the history of the world has slaughter been elevated to such a plane of precision and quantity, as in this system. Ask the people of Vietnam about their "police action." Ask any Black "militant." That word militant itself is strange coming from this system - the most militant and violent in mankind's history.

Now this system of the Few, this system of imperialism, colonialism, exploitation, and racism shows itself in legislatures, civil service, industry, unions, bureaucracy of welfare, schools, courts, and Pig Forces. It is presented in unequal housing, unequal education, unequal employment opportunities and unequal justice. The rights of the Few become a privilege for us. In June, Dr. R. Korn of the University of California stated that law and "justice" was harsh on the poor and that 80 per cent of all inmates "should be turned loose right now." Thus used, in this manner - law and "justice" becomes a tool by the Few to keep the poor in jail.

Who are the lawless? By being the slave of this society, the black man knows the answer to this. He is used to enormous bails, kangaroo courts, courts disregarding the law and breaking the constitutions, destroying ethics. We are ruled not by laws but by force. Where the pigs take money to let narcotics into our areas and to fill their arrest quotas - bust some small black sellers - yet the pig's word is law. This oppression continues in prison where the majority of the inmates are Black. For instance, here in New York, some of us are at the Men's House of Detention for Manhattan (appropriately nicknamed "The Tombs"). Here 80% of the inmates are Black. (We don't commit 80% of the crimes). Since we have been here, at a pretrial prison, (in a country where one is supposedly innocent until proven guilty), at least 5 men have died through the fault of the guards. At least one Black man was beaten to death. He was beaten to death in front of 40 witnesses and yet the word got out. The Pigs said that he committed suicide and their word is law. They destroy ethics to the point where asst. D.A.'s pose as legal aids to get inmates to give up information and cop out. They break their own laws to the point where men are brought here for nothing and kept here like animals for nothing. They sometimes even convict people without them having lawyers here. We can prove all of this; this is the law we see and their order is an order of pig terror, of grief, of poverty, of disease, of illiteracy. Now when there is resistance to this type of bullshit, as there is now, the Few get scared, as they are now, and we get down to the nitty gritty - the increased Law and Order. The Law and Order of Wilmington, Delaware. And now to falsely arresting us, members of the Vanguard, and holding us for ransom. When we know, they know, the prisoners know and even the guards know that we are innocent. That this is bullshit.

This is now beginning to reach new depths in Tyranny, Injustice and Oppression. They are scared. They want to stop this. But they are fools, paper-tigers. "This is a challenge to all mankind; there is one choice we cannot make, we are incapable of making. We will not choose the path of submission." No one can destroy the desire to be free. "They can only indict the Revolutionary. . . not the revolution" There will be no more cop-outs. There can be no peace with fascism. No compromise with tyranny. A few black faces on television is not freedom, some Black entertainers is not freedom. There is no freedom without INDEPENDENCE. We must overcome this oppression of our people. We must organize them; give them the correct ideology, so that independence and freedom will be theirs. It will be difficult. But for every one that they jail, ten must take his place. For every one that they kill, 100 must take his place. It is time to organize all of the people and show them why they must turn their back to this "progress". And we must show them how to do it.

We are Black men. We must be what we are. We are not middle class white Americans. We are not free, white and 21. We are Black men. It is time to be what we are and not to live in an illusion. When a boy grows into a man he puts an end to his illusions. It is an illusion to believe that we can become free and independent in this society. It is an illusion to believe that we can become free and independent in this racist bullshit. It is an illusion to believe that capital will make us free and independent - this is his capital and his capitalistic and imperialistic economic system. These are his laws, his order, his education. This is his system, his m-----f------ system. And it is M----- F------ system.

It is an illusion to believe that we are a part of this system, even if we wanted to be. We choose no candidates, elect no presidents, make no laws, set no standards. This system can only weaken or destroy the Black man. For the Black man to survive on this earth, this fascist, capitalistic Republic must be stopped in its tracks. It is time. It is time for Black people to stop singing and dancing and bullshitting and drinking and shooting dope. We got no time for nodding. We must put everything and everyone irrelevant to the revolution aside. It is time for us to put aside our differences and engage our common enemy. It is time for us to Unite the People. It is time for us to take care of busines - to use everything at our command or this business. We, the Black Panthers, are the Vanguard and the password is RESIST! The pig must have no sleep, no peace until we are Free, until we are Independent. It is time.

Panther Power to the Vanguard
All Power to the People
Dr. Curtis Powell, Ph.D.
Black Panther Party

LETTER FROM DHARUBA

All Power to the People:

I hope all is well with you and the people. I'm writing in regards to Murray Kempton of the Post who, as you probably know, had approached the lawyers pertaining to his interest in writing and finding out the truth about what the fascists are trying to do to the Party. I read the letter that he wrote and feel we really haven't got anything to lose. But at the same time, if we just allow him an off hand view of the Party and what's going down, his writings will not have the impact of the sensationalism the racists are employing. I think what is needed is insight into the machinery of oppression that the guilt ridden liberals are in truth afraid to really recognize and confront. Because of our position as the oppressed, how can we communicate this to these I.B.M. punch cards with basic symbols that they relate to? I think that because our political and social consciousness has out-stripped Kemptons type by so much that we should try to employ varying techniques in our approach. This is not to say we should suffer through these cats phobias, but we should let it be seen exactly what the machinery



has been doing, not only to our people and the Party as a whole, but as individuals who are fighting for survival in the foul country. True this lame will probably seek agrandizement and profit but in terms of the end results if it is handled in a revolutionary manner, the Party and the people may get a bigger revolutionary gain. Can you dig it? We cannot allow familiarity but we can't be aloof. In short, we have to allow the machinery of fascism to scare him to death so he will be predisposed to write what's really happening instead of intellectual discourse and masturbation. We have certain brothers and sisters who can relate to the Gestapo coercion and repression that the pigs are off into. I just wanted to let you know my general attitude in this matter. I know you are going to do what must be done anyhow. But mainly I just wanted to say that we must attempt to re-program the computers when we can, and later for them if they are too far gone. Be cool and tell the brothers I said, "Venceremos."

All Power to the People
Dharuba
Richard Moore 5UA3

LETTER FROM WILBERT GREENE

Sister Sharon:

I am writing you my sable sister from one of the many cells in this country which they (our enemies) call America - land of the free, which houses many of our brothers and sisters - Branch Queens House of Detention for Men. I agree that the charges in which our brothers are being held are ridiculous and vary from pilfering a candy bar to conspiracy. But the major reason is because we're Revolutionary and are starting to pull the covers off them (our enemies). They have kept us blind for over three centuries. We realize they are placing "trumped up" charges on us. Therefore, they are starting with our hegemony: Brother Huey, Brother Eldridge et al . . . But as I read in the Party paper (I forgot which), "They can kill a revolutionary, but not a revolution."

During my incarceration I have had the pleasure of meeting Brother Kenzie and Brother Mike. Though I haven't had the opportunity to talk to Brother Mike because of the tight, maximum security which our enemies have placed him under. It is through Brother Kenzie that I am awakening to this decadent society in which we live. He has presented me with the Ten Point Program and Platfrom that I adhere to earnestly.

Therefore I would like all of you beautiful brothers and sisters to know that though I am confined here in Queens Detention Branch, I am fully a supporter of the Black Panther Party. And although I am unsure, and my departure from jail seems quite vague at present, I would like to announce that upon my release I would like to be considered for membership. Until then I will continue supporting the Party whether it be here (Queens Detention Branch) or anywhere.

Free the N.Y. 21
Free Huey
Power to the People
Soulfully,

Brother Wilbert



How the fascists serve the people

THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE AGAINST FASCISM

"Fascism, the power of finance capital, is the open terrorist dictatorship of the most reactionary, most chauvinistic, most racist, and most imperialist elements of finance capital." (Dimitroff) The fascist dogs; the avaricious (greedy) businessman, the demagogic (lying) politician, and the racist pig cop have all joined forces in an open warfare against the people. The businessman overworks, underpays, and overcharges the masses to keep us in everlasting poverty so that we cannot afford the bare necessities of life: food, clothing, and shelter. He forces us into the worst possible conditions: rat-infested housing, rotten food, intolerable health conditions, sky-high prices for inferior merchandise, and dope. The avaricious businessman floods our communities with dope and reaps all of the profits while brothers and sisters arrive overdosed-dead on arrival at the hospitals. All of the money that is stolen from the oppressed community goes into the businessman's pocket or into the banks, stocks, and trusts in order for them to make more money. The lying politician runs down a lot of rhetoric about our "Constitutional Rights" and how everything will be allright if we use our "guaranteed" freedoms and rights to "move on up." He says all of this, and on the surface it appears to be all fine and good, but at the same time he is plotting behind closed doors to legalize the further restriction of the people's already restricted freedom. The pig cop comes down on the masses with all of his weaponry to enforce the insane philosophy of fascism, "law and order." He beats pregnant sisters into miscarriages, he shoots brothers and sisters in the head for general principles, and he incarcerates our revolutionary comrades on jive-time, trumped-up charges. We have a name for all of these acts against the people, "FASCISM."

The people are getting hip to all of this madness. When we, the revolutionary brothers and sisters of the Vanguard Party go among the masses conducting propaganda, we are raising the level of awareness of the people so that they are able to see fascism for what it is: lies and terrorism used to suppress the people. The day is rapidly approaching when the people of the world will rise like a mighty storm and wipe all of the fascist ruling class off the face of the earth and force them all to flee to the moon with the other Astro Pigs. We know the pigs are instituting an open terrorist dictatorship. We know that they are mobilizing all of their funky pig forces in order to vamp on the people, and we know that by their actions they have proven themselves to be the enemy of the people. To the pigs; we know that you are fascists, we know that you are reactionary capitalists, and we dig the fact that you will not disappear on your own. The people are hip to your lies, your terrorism, and your murderous intents, and we are not going for it anymore because we dig where you are coming from and you know that we are hip to your games. We are armed. We endorse a .45, a 357 magnum, a 9mm, a .41 and a .44 magnum, a tank, a cannon, a mortar and anything else that will free us from your oppression. We are at the point where we are saying that it is either you, pig, or the people and we relate to the fact that political power grows out of the barrel of a gun. Huey says that the gun is the basic tool of liberation and we can dig it. So prepare yourself to face the people because we want our freedom, and we will get it by any means necessary.

So all that needs to be said is-- UP AGAINST THE WALL FASCIST PIG, THIS IS A HOLDUP AND WE'VE COME TO TAKE WHAT'S OURS. We are putting you on trial for treason against the people, and we sentence you to death at the hands of the motive force in the making of world history------ --- THE PEOPLE.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD
FREE HUEY
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
OFF THE PIG

Ronald Tyson
Black Panther Party,
Harlem Branch

INDIANA CHAPTER PURGES

The Indiana Chapter is continuing to purge its ranks of agents and fools. We find that along with the agents and fools, we had glory seekers who prostituted the party for personal gain. Some of these fools thought that serving the people meant getting a pat on the back and pictures splashed across the universe. The only pats we have for fools and agents are the kind that land swiftly in the rear, with a well planted boot.

Stanford Patton, formerly Deputy Minister of Education was expelled for violation of rules #4 and #18 and failing as an officer to set an example to the membership.

Donald Hughley, Panther in Training was expelled for violation of rules #4 and #18.

Larry Wellington, Panther in Training violated rules #4 and #18. He was suspended and with the proper attitude and political education, he could be reinstated.

Hughley was suspended for his outlook on the revoluton and an arrogant attitude. He thinks his definitions are the only correct ones.

Harry Blackwell, former member of the central staff and is known to have consorted with the F.B.I. on numerous occasions. He is known to have been flown to San Francisco under an assumed name, to testify against Deputy Chairman Fred Crawford.

submitted by,
Donald Campbell
Deputy Minister of Information
Indiana Chapter

STATEN ISLAND EXPELLS COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY

Furman Manning is expelled from the Staten Island Branch of the Black Panther Party for violation of rule #4, counter-revolutionary remarks; rule #18, failure to attend Political Education classes; point #1 of the Eight Points of Attention; points # 5 and #7 of the Eight Points of Attention; and rule #1 of the Three Main Rules of Discipline.

Rule #4 - Fuman Manning failed to report to the office after eating Saturday, July 26, 1969, after being ordered to return in an hour.

Violation of rule #18 - Manning has failed to report to the office on July 27 for Political Education class and later stated, "Fuck the Black Panther Party. The people are what's important. And Black people couldn't run the country if it was given to them because there wasn't enough Black brain power."

Captain of Defense
Staten Island, B.P.P.
Sonny Collins

Jersey City B.P.P. Tells It Like It Is

In regards to the recent pig-moon invasion we have just a few comments to make to the people. To say in the least, the Apollo 11 Moon Landing further points out the contradictions that exist within this decadent American society, that is perpetuated by this fascist government.

Firstly, U.S. Congress declared Monday, July 21st to be a national holiday. It took only 3 quick days for those pigs to get together and oink to the people, making the pig-moon landing a national holiday. While on the other hand they haven't yet come up with a decision to make Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday a national holiday. Its been over 15 months and hundreds upon thousands of petitioned signatures since Dr. King's murder, requesting to make Dr. King's birthday------a national holiday. But pig congress finds this modest request too insignificant and pushy. The ruling class made mucho dollars on this whole jive moon venture, which is far more than they profitted off of Dr. M. L. King, Jr. We assume by congresses silence and failure to act that they have already made its decision on the entire King matter.

Secondly and most important is this fascist government's whole concept of priorities, which points out its insensitivity towards human needs and the whole idea of humanism. This cesspool of a government places more emphasis on Stardust and Flash Gordon crap than on the welfare of the people.

More than 24 billion dollars have been spent on this space imperialism. No one on earth or anywhere else can convince the Black Panther Party that this kind of money, energy, resources, etc. shouldn't have been spent right here, helping to alleviate some of the problems that exist here.

For those who wish to do nothing about their daily oppression, on the basis of wanting to receive their pie-in-the-sky, look out, because the pigs are moving to control that..

We say we can't go along with all this Flash Gordon, Space Ghost and the "the man in the moon" jive there's so much pain and suffering. What is needed to remedy all this bullshit is a revolution. A revolution that will rocket the pigs out of power and into hell and place the people in power. What we need is a government that is totally responsible to the welfare of the people and dictated by the people------not silly insensitive pigs wallowing in moon-dreams.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD
The Black Panther Party on Radio
Every Saturday Nite
8:45 - 9:15 p.m.
W.L.I.B. 119.0 AM 107.5 FM
Jersey City, New Jersey

BLACK DRAFT RESISTER IS SENTENCED

(Reprinted from Liberation News Service)

New Orleans -- Walter Collins, a black civil rights and anti-poverty activist, has been ordered to spend five years in jail and was fined $500 for refusing induction into the Armed Forces.

Collins, 24, was convicted on five counts of draft refusal. U.S. District Court Judge Edward Boyle, sitting in a crowded courtroom, ordered the maximum sentence on each charge -- five years -- to be served concurrently.

Collins received a total of six induction notices. His attorney, Benjamin Smith, argued that Collins could refuse induction only once. Smith said that the draft board persisted in sending him notices in order to persecute him because of his political activity -- which included leafletting at his place of induction.

Collins has been active in the Southern freedom movement since he helped organize the early sit-ins to desegregate public accommodations in Louisiana. He worked with SNCC voter registration drives in Mississippi and Louisiana from 1964 to 1966. Most recently he has been active in anti-war work, with SNCC projects in New Orleans and with the Southern Conference Education Fund (SCEF) project in Laurel, Miss.

After he was sentenced, Collins said: "If I am guilty of a crime, it is the crime of thinking. The draft is a totalitarian instrument used to practice genocide against black people. Poor and working class people are drafted to fight, not for American ideals, but for the interests of a few capitalists who control this country."

An appeal is planned.

ATTEMPTED MURDER BY THE FASCIST PIGS OF RICHMOND CALIF.

On August 9, 1969, the Black Panther Party Richmond Branch was surrounded by fascist Richmond City pigs, county pigs and federal pigs (F.B.I.). At 11:01 p.m. a bright light was flashed into the front window of our office; we went to the window to investigate. At this time we observed ten car loads of pigs who leaped out of their pigmobiles and surrounded the office, all windows and exits. We can see this is a clearcut example of how the pig power structure is moving across this country trying to destroy the Black Panther Party members and offices. While the pigs were oinking outside, we got on the telephone and immediately talked with the radio station, which in turn put out to the people what was happening, as it was happening. The people responded by running into the streets of the community. The pigs oinked a while longer, then split. "The masses are the real heroes," "The masses have boundless creative power.'

Power to the People
Richmond Branch
Black Panther Party

VALLEJO BPP PRESS RELEASE

A Community Demand to Meet the Urgent Desires and Needs of the Black Colony

Having taken a close survey of the poor conditions in Vallejo in general, but in particular those conditions affecting the black communities of North and South Vallejo, and having communicated with a vast amount of the occupants thereof, the Black Panther Party recognizes the necessity to go forth to see to it that the desires and needs of the black colony are met. The Black Panther Party also recognizes that black people have a right to determine their own destinies: and understanding this, we are justified in demanding that the racism and negligence at the hand of the power structure of Vallejo in relationship to black people be put to an immediate end without fail.

The Black Panther Party recognizes the politicians as theoreticians of high-handed rhetoric and demagogy because we see a clear line of demarcation between their political line and their social practice. As the true representatives of the people, the Black Panther Party will not rest until the demands are met.

TO: Local City Officials of the All American City of Vallejo, California.

FROM: The Black Panther Party, Vallejo Branch, representing Country Club Crest.

SUBJECT: A Community Demand to meet the urgent desires and needs of the Black Colony.

A. SAFETY:
1. We want a speed limit posted at 35 miles per hour from Sears Point Road north to Gateway Drive and 25 miles per hour from Gateway Dr. to Cororan.

2. We want immediately, a stop light at Gateway Dr. and Fairgrounds Drive.

B. FREE PROTECTION:
1. We want all water hydrants checked to insure that they operate with the best of efficiency.

2. We want six (6) fire alarm boxes in the community to be located at Taper & Griffin; Taper & Wendy; Sage & Gateway; Griffin & Kemper; Sage & Griffin; and one at Cornin Dr. & Dieninger Streets. We have been unable to locate any fire alarm boxes in our community.

C. RECREATION:
1. Enlarge Clee Thompson Memorial Park. We want a park free from old dilapidated equipment (swings, slides, etc.) with new equipment including swimming pool and recreation center and parking area large enough to provide for our community. We feel that the existing structure is an insult to our community in relation to other park areas in Vallejo.

REVOLUTIONARY, PERIOD

"It is time to intensify the struggle" as Brother Eldridge says. We have been shot at, vamped on, over, under, around, and through by those mad dogs they call law enforcement agents, and the Black community in general has been raped and molested long enough. We have been overworked, under-paid, and overcharged constantly and have been in the company of rats, roaches, and fascism to our limits. We were lied to and in turn endorsed judges, mayors, senators, congressmen and even the President himself under the false assumption that they were "for the people." All we had to do was to get them into power and everything would be cool. We found that to be a lie. So we put our foot down on the swinny neck of fascism. We draw the line of demarcation at the threshhold of our communities and whosoever violates that line is subject to total annilation by the vanguard.

Its funny how the politicians are always on time for the people when they want the vote but are never around once they win the election. It's funny how the pigs always seem to be around whenever the Panthers are out in the community helping the people but never around when a real crime is taking place. YES, all of this is mighty funny but you know something else... the people aren't laughing. None of the oppressed people have anything to laugh about.

So we say "REVOLUTION" and revolution is not restricted to the wearing of a Dashiki or the growing of a Natural, it cannot be so refined. There's no such thing as a "part revolution" such as the literary or the theatrical aspect of it. It cannot stop there. We advocate "complete revolution". . . PERIOD.

Act I - Education
Act II - Revolution and the whole world is the stage.

I am a Black Liberation Soldier . . .Dig?
Marcus Rebel
formerly, Kioma Hines
Friend of the Black Panther Party.
Philadelphia Chapter

"EXHAUSTING ALL LEGAL MEANS"

On Tuesday, July 22, a law suit was filed in Bergen county Superior Court, Chancery Division seeking to end the continuing harassment of the Black Panther Party in Jersey City by the Jersey City Police Department. The suit was initiated on behalf of the Panther Party and other black citizens of the Bergen-Lafeyette section of Jersey City by attorneys for the New Jersey Affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union and the Law Center for Constitutional Rights.

As stated in the complaint, "the Plaintiffs seek to enjoin the Police Department of Jersey City and its members from harassing and intimidating the Plaintiffs and other politically conscious black citizens of Jersey City and from interfering with the constitutional rights of Plaintiffs and other members of the class they represent to freely organize, assemble and associate for political and social purposes and to use the streets of Jersey City for communication of their ideas and beliefs."

Many of the incidents complained of in the suit have arisen out of the Panthers' distribution of leaflets highly critical of the Jersey City police department. In one instance leaflets were allegedly confiscated from two boys, 10 and 14 years old, who were distributing leaflets in the Bergen-Lafayette area.

This is not the first time a suit has been brought to protect the organizing effort of a group from police harassment in Jersey City. In a now classic case, Hague v. CIO decided in 1939 by a United States Supreme Court, the Jersey City Police Department was enjoined from harassing labor organizing efforts.

The suit also seeks the removal of two Jersey City detectives, Kevin Moran and William Hamilton, from the Jersey City Police Department. The suit alleges that the two detectives have continually threatened, harassed, and in some instances beaten members of the Black Panther Party and other black citizens who have associated with the Panthers.

The Panthers presented a petition with 500 signatures on June 12, 1969 to Mayor Whelan and George Whelan, director of the Jersey City Police Department, seeking the removal of Moran and Hamilton from the Bergen-Lafayette area.

Throughout the country the Black Panther Party has been in sharp conflict with the police. Much of this conflict has arisen from the Panthers' publicly avowed aim of not tolerating violations of black citizens' constitutional rights by the police. There have been numerous reports of police harassment, intimidation, and arrest of Party members.

L. A. PURGE

The following people have been expelled by the Central Staff of the Southern California Chapter as of August 5, 1969:

Julio Butler
Paul Masset
Janice Culberson
Fred Wheeler
Andre Joseph
Joseph Samuel Hill

Special notice should be made of Julio Butler, a one-time uniformed pig, who has a record for having joined many left or militant groups in L.A. and may well still be a pig.

These people are not to be in anyway with Black Panther Party members, functions, offices, activities, etc., in any branch or chapter anywhere. No member in the Black Panther Party is to make any contact in any way with the above people. Violators will be subject to appropriate punishment.

All Power to the People
Central Staff,
Southern California Chapter
Black Panther Party

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Editor:

So far I've only received three issues of the weekly Black Panther newspaper but already I see how the fascists lie, brutalize and change the truth about the Panthers and their cause and how they make the B.P.P. seem like gangsters in the public newspapers and on T.V. But thanks to your newspaper I see what the truth is and the pigs and fascists make me throw up. When school starts I'm going to take your truthful news media to school and show my friends and when possible write poems and give speeches in English class on the good of the Panthers.

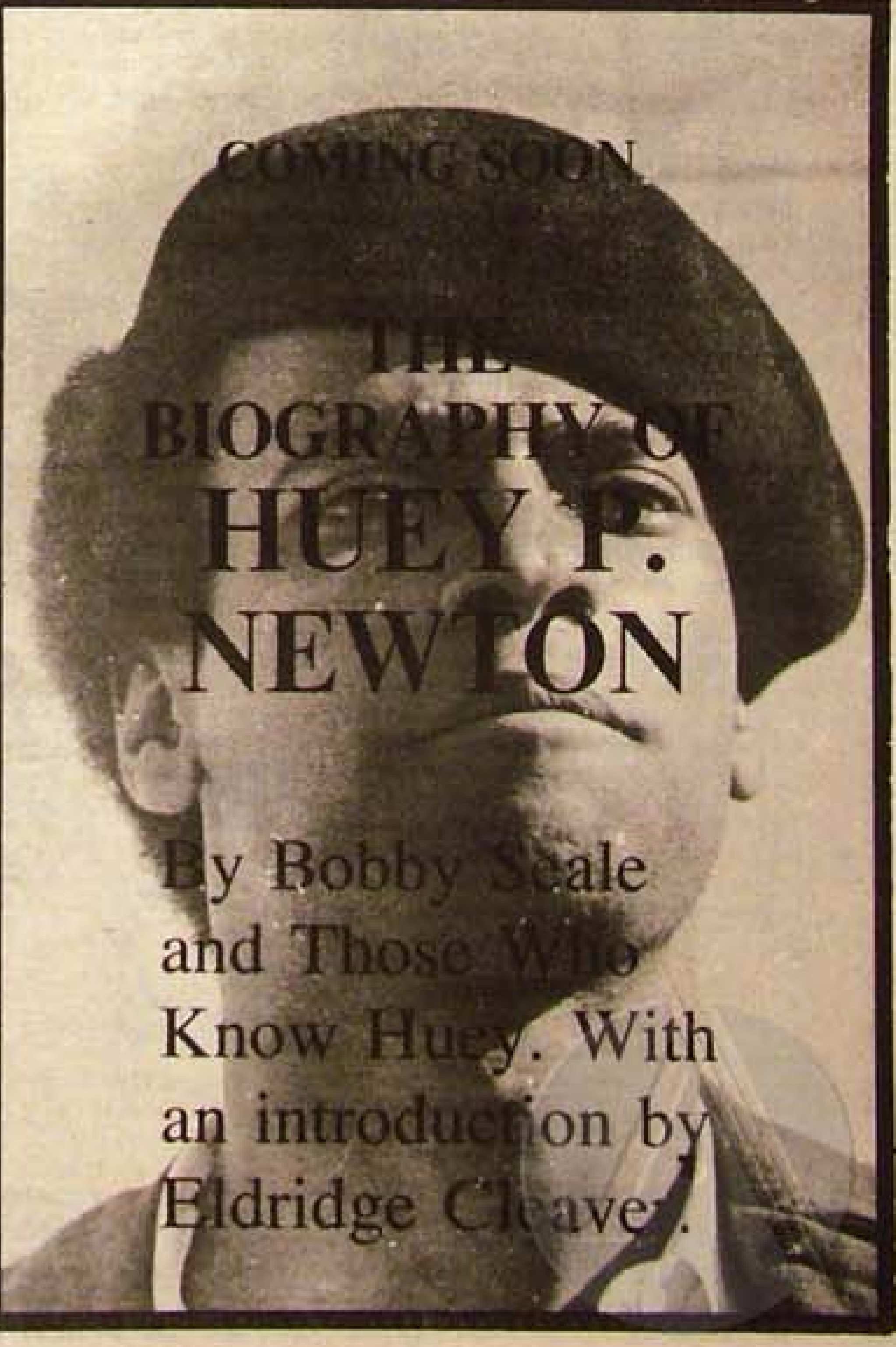
Even though I'm white I don't think of myself as a honkie but rather as a white blackman. It's damned well about time that the people realize what the fascists are doing, how the fascists are using the people and start to rise up against these bastards. Keep up the good work. All of us know how difficult it is or at least can guess. WE NEED YOU!!!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE and kick out the (fascists, racists, pigs, etc.)

let's unite against fascism

Let's stamp out the fascists, the racists and pigs
Let's call the blacks blackmen, and not call them nigs
Let's stamp out the tyrants and all evil and bad
Capitalists ruining the whole world make me so sad.
Let's liberate all the poor blacks, the Indians and all others
While the capitalists say, "They ain't worth the bother."
Let's show the ruling system that the youths of today
Will have to use violence if it doesn't listen to what we say.
The system is no good, never was and won't be
'All power to the people' is the best for you and me
I'm for the Black Panthers; these strong, brave cats
They're working toward REAL justice, unlike fascist rats;
The Panthers are working all over this planet
They can be nice or harder than granite
Free Breakfasts for Children and Liberation Schools
Open the people's eyes to the fascists dirty pool.

The Panthers, Huey Newton and good Eldridge Cleaver
Fight for the people who'll live on forever
The Panthers will live forever or until no more needed
It'll be safer for the capitalists if the Panthers demands are heeded.



WHAT WE WANT



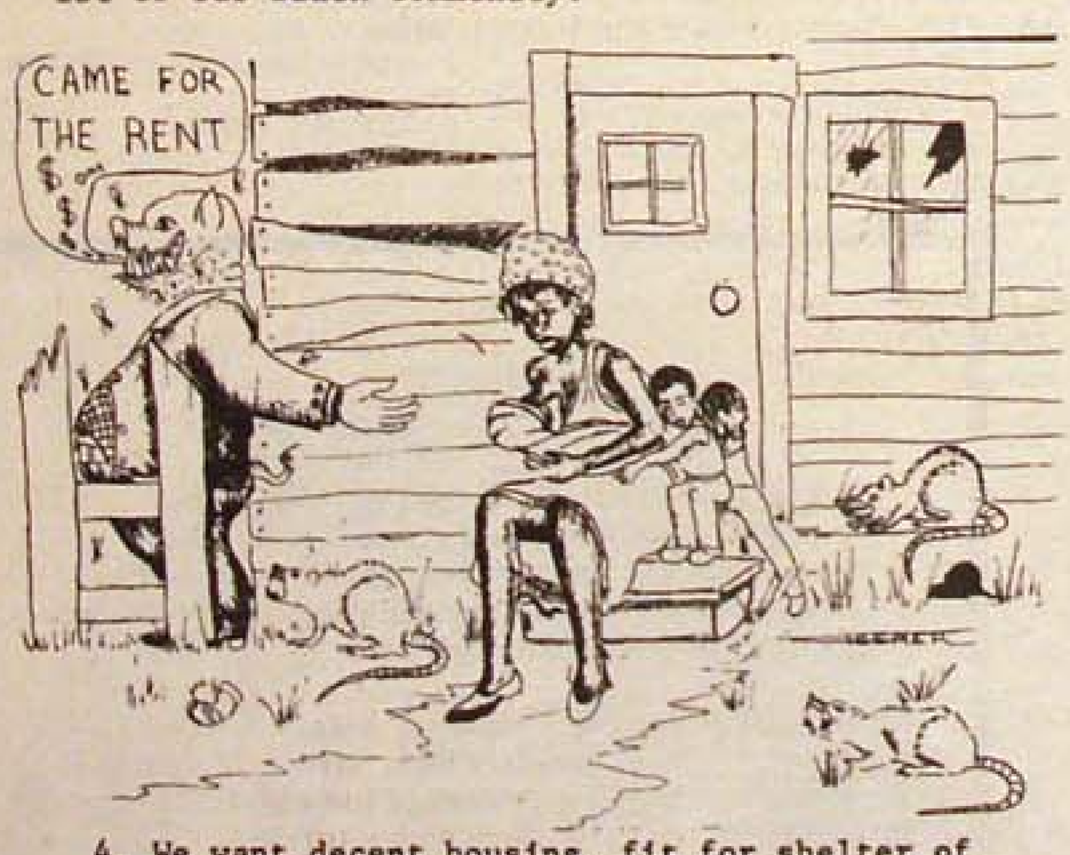
1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.



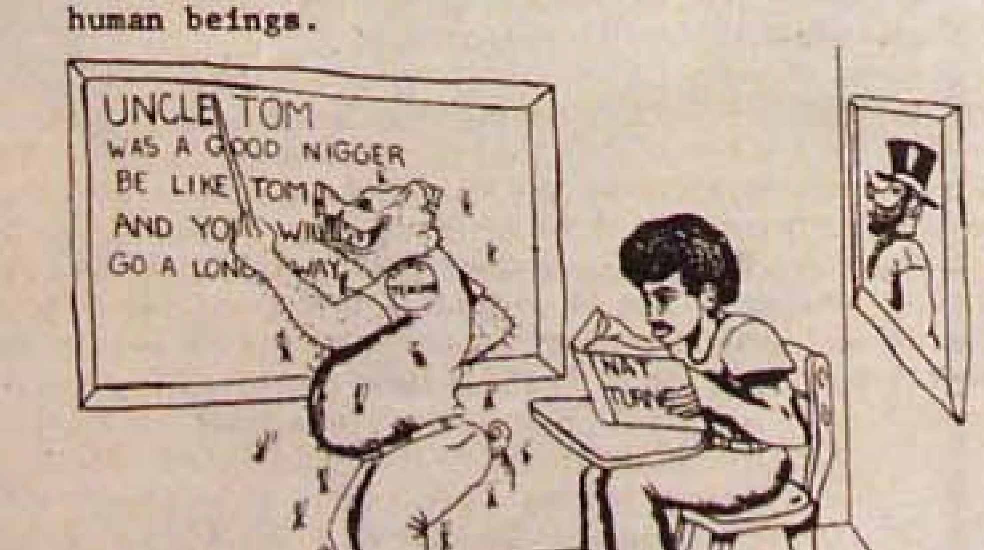
2. We want full employment for our people.



3. We want an end to the robbery by the capitalist of our Black Community.



4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.



5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.



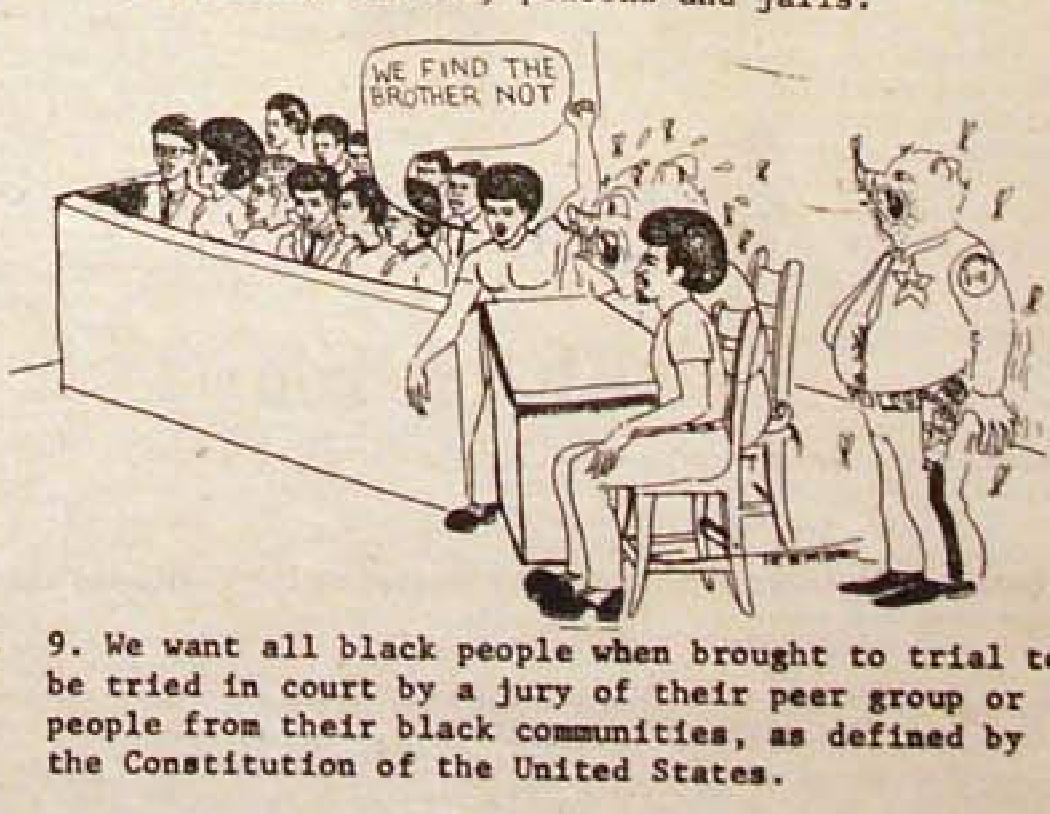
6. We want all black men exempt from military service.



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October 1966

Black Panther Party Platform and Program

What We Want What We Believe



FREE HUEY

Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

2. We want full employment for our people.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the CAPITALIST of our Black Community.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. **That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.** Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long estal ..ed should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. **But, when a long train of abuses and unsurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.**

THE BLACK PANTHER

BLACK COMMUNITY NEWS SERVICE
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RULES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA..

Every member of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY throughout this country of racist America must abide by these rules as functional members of this party. CENTRAL COMMITTEE members, CENTRAL STAFFS, and LOCAL STAFFS, including all captains subordinate to either national, state, and local leadership of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY will enforce these rules. Length of suspension or other disciplinary action necessary for violation of these rules will depend on national decisions by national, state or state area, and local committees and staffs where said rule or rules of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY WERE VIOLATED.

Every member of the party must know these verbatum by heart. And apply them daily. Each member must report any violation of these rules to their leadership or they are counter-revolutionary and are also subjected to suspension by the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

THE RULES ARE:

1. No party member can have narcotics or weed in his possession while doing party work.
2. Any party member found shooting narcotics will be expelled from this party.
3. No party member can be DRUNK while doing daily party work.
4. No party member will violate rules relating to office work, general meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY, and meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY ANYWHERE.
5. No party member will USE, POINT, or FIRE a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
6. No party member can join any other army force other than the BLACK LIBERATION ARMY.
7. No party member can have a weapon in his possession while DRUNK or loaded off narcotics or weed.
8. No party member will commit any crimes against other party members or BLACK people at all, and cannot steal or take from the people, not even a needle or a piece of thread.
9. When arrested BLACK PANTHER MEMBERS will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all Party members.
10. The Ten Point Program and platform of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must be known and understood by each Party member.
11. Party Communications must be National and Local.
12. The 10-10-10-program should be known by all members and also understood by all members.
13. All Finance officers will operate under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
14. Each person will submit a report of daily work.
15. Each Sub-Section Leader Section Leader, Lieutenant, and Captain must submit Daily reports of work.
16. All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.
17. All Leadership personnel who expel a member must submit this information to the Editor of the Newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper and will be known by all chapters and branches.
18. Political Education Classes are mandatory for general membership.
19. Only office personnel assigned to respective offices each day should be there. All others are to sell papers and do Political work out in the community, including Captains, Section Leaders, etc.
20. COMMUNICATIONS — all chapters must submit weekly reports in writing to the National Headquarters.
21. All Branches must implement First Aid and/or Medical Cadres.
22. All Chapters, Branches, and components of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must submit a monthly Financial Report to the Ministry of Finance, and also the Central Committee.
23. Everyone in a leadership position must read no less than two hours per day to keep abreast of the changing political situation.
24. No chapter or branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money or any other aid from any government agency without contacting the National Headquarters.
25. All chapters must adhere to the policy and the ideology laid down by the CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.
26. All Branches must submit weekly reports in writing to their respective Chapters.

8 POINTS OF ATTENTION

1) Speak politely.
2) Pay fairly for what you buy.
3) Return everything you borrow.
4) Pay for anything you damage.
5) Do not hit or swear at people.
6) Do not damage property or crops of the poor, oppressed masses.
7) Do not take liberties with women.
8) If we ever have to take captives do not ill-treat them.

3 MAIN RULES OF DISCIPLINE

1) Obey orders in all your actions.
2) Do not take a single needle or a piece of thread from the poor and oppressed masses.
3) Turn in everything captured from the attacking enemy.

¡ORGANIZENSE CHICANAS!

by ENRIQUETA LONGAUEX Y VASQUEZ

While attending a Raza conference in Colorado this year, I went to one of the workshops that were held to discuss the role of the Chicana woman. When the time came for the women to make their presentation to the full conference, the only thing that the workshop representative said was this: "It was the consensus of the group that the Chicana woman does not want to be liberated."

As a woman who has been faced with having to live as a member of the "Mexican-American" minority as a breadwinner and a mother raising children, living in housing projects and having much concern for other humans leading to much community involvement, this was quite a blow. I could have cried. Surely we could have at least come up with something to add to that statement. I sat back and thought, why? Why? I understood why the statement had been made and I realized that going along with the feelings of the men at the convention was perhaps the best thing to do at the time.

Looking at our history, I can see why this would be true. The role of the Chicana woman has been a very strong one, although a silent one. When the woman has seen the suffering of her peoples she has always responded bravely and as a totally committed and equal human. My mother told me of how, during the time of Pancho Villa and the revolution in Mexico, she saw the men march through the village continually for three days and then she saw the battalion of women marching for a whole day. The women carried food and supplies; also, they were fully armed and wearing loaded "carrilleras." In battle they fought alongside the men. Out of the Mexican revolution came the revolutionary personage "Adelita", who wore her rebozo crossed at the bosom as a symbol of a revolutionary woman in Mexico.

Then we have our heroine Juana Gallo, a brave woman who led her men to battle against the government after having seen her father and other villagers hung for defending the land of the people. She and many more women fought bravely with their people. And if called upon again, they would be there alongside the men to fight to the bitter end.

And now, today, as we hear the call of the Raza and as the dormant, "docile" Mexican-American comes to life, we see the stirring of the people. With that call, the Chicana woman also stirs and I am sure that she will leave her mark upon the Mexican-American movement in the Southwest.

How the Chicana woman reacts depends totally on how the "Macho" Chicano is treated when he goes out into the so called "Mainstream of Society". If the husband is so-called successful, the woman seems to become very domineering and demands more and more in material goods. I ask myself at times, "Why are the women so demanding?" But then I realize: this is the price of owning a slave.

A woman who has no way of expressing herself and realizing herself as a full human has nothing else to turn to but the owning of material things. She builds her entire life around these and finds security in this way. All she has to live for is her house and family and she becomes very possessive of both. This makes her a totally dependent human. Dependent on her husband and family. Most of the Chicana women in this comfortable situation are not particularly involved in the movement. Many times it is because of the fear of censorship in general. Censorship from the husband, the family, friends and society in general. For these reasons she is completely inactive.

Then you will find the Chicana with a husband who was not able to fare so very well in the "Society" and perhaps has had to face defeat. She is the woman that really suffers. Quite often the man will not fight the real source of his problems, be it discrimination or whatever, but will instead come home and take it out on his family. As this continues, his Chicana becomes the victim of his machismo and woeful are the the trials and tribulations of that household.

Much of this is seen particularly in the city. The man, being head of the household and unable to fight the system he lives in, will very likely lose face and for this reason there will often be a separation or divorce in the family. It is at this time that the Chicana faces the real test of having to confront society as one of its total victims.

There are many things she must do. She must: (1) Find a way to feed and clothe the family. (2) Find housing. (3) Find employment. (4) Provide child care, and (5) Find some kind of social outlet and friendship.

(1) In order to find a way to feed and clothe her family she must find a job. Because of her suppression, she has probably not been able to develop a skill. She is probably unable to find a job that will pay her a decent wage. If she is able to find a job at all it will probably be only for survival. Thus she can only hope to exist; she will hardly be able to live an enjoyable life.

Even if she does have a skill, she must all at once realize that she has been living in a racist society. She will have much difficulty in proving herself in any position. Her work must be three times that of the Anglo majority. Not only this, but the competitive way of the Anglo will always be there. The Anglo woman is always there with her superiority complex. The Chicana woman will be looked upon as having to prove herself even in the smallest task. She is constantly being put to the test. Not only does she suffer the oppression that the Anglo woman suffers as a woman in the market of humanity, but she must also suffer the oppression of being a minority with a different set of values. Because her existence and the livelihood of the children depend on her conforming to an Anglo society, she tries very hard to conform. Thus she may find herself even rejecting herself as a Mexican-American. Existence itself depends on this.

(2) She must find housing that she will be able to afford. She will very likely be unable to live in a decent place, it will be more the matter of finding a place that is cheap. It is likely that she will have to live in a housing project. Here she will be faced with a real problem of being able to raise children in an environment that is conducive to much suffering. The decision as to where she will live is a difficult matter as she must come face to face with making decisions entirely on her own. This, plus having to live them out, is very traumatic for her.

(3)To find a job she will be faced with working very hard during the day and coming home to an empty house and again having to work at home. Cooking, washing, ironing, mending, plus spending some time with the children. Here her role changes to being both father and mother. All of this plus being poor is very hard to bear. Then, on top of this, to have a survey worker or social worker tell you that you have to have incentive and motivation and get ahead! These are tough pressures to live under. Few men could stand up under them.

(4) Child care is one of the most difficult problems for a woman to have to face alone. Not only is she tormented with having to leave the raising of her children to someone else, but she wants the best of care for them. For the amount of money that she may be able to pay from her meager wages, it is likely that she will be lucky to find anyone at all to take care of the children. The routine of the household is not normal at all. She must start her day earlier than an average worker. She must clothe and feed the children before she takes them to be cared for in someone else's home. Then, too, she will have a very hard day at work for she is constantly worrying about the children. If there are medical problems, this will only multiply her stress during the day. Not to mention the financial pressure of medical care.

(5) With all of this, the fact still remains that she is a human and must have some kind of friendship and entertainment in life and this is perhaps one of the most difficult tasks facing the chicana alone. She can probably enjoy very little entertainment as she can not afford a baby-sitter. This, plus she very likely does not have the clothes, transportation, etc. As she can not afford entertainment herself, she may very often fall prey to letting someone else pay for her entertainment and this may create unwanted involvement with some friend. When she begins to keep company with men, she will meet with the disapproval of her family and often be looked upon as having loose moral values. As quite often she is not free to remarry in the eyes of the Church, she will find more and more conflict and disapproval and she continues to look upon herself with guilt and censorship. Thus she suffers much as a human. Everywhere she looks, she seems to be rejected.

This woman has much to offer the movement of the Mexican-American. She has had to live all of the roles of her Raza. She has had to suffer the torments of her people in that she has had to go out into a racist society and be a provider as well as a mother. She has been doubly oppressed and is trying very hard to find a place. Because of these facts she is a very, very strong individual. She has had to become strong in order to exist against these odds.

And what usually happens to this woman when she tries to become active in the "Causa"? One would think that the movement would provide a place for



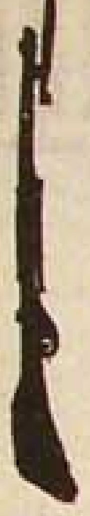
her, one would think that the organizations would welcome her with open arms and try to encourage her to speak up for her Raza. One would think that because of her knowledge and situation the groups would think of liberation schools with child care for the victims of broken homes, in order to teach them culture and history so that they may find self-identity. But, NO. Instead one finds that this woman is shunned again by her own Raza. When she tries to speak of Machismo, she is immediately put down and told "We know all about it, there are many many books written on the subject." She receives nothing but censorship again. She tries so hard to say, "yes, there is much on Machismo, but can't you Machos look at the women and children who are the VICTIMS of your Machismo?" She tries so much to speak up and instead finds herself speaking to deaf ears and a completely closed mind.

Then she tries other ways, perhaps to offer her skills and knowledge in some way. This too is difficult. If she does a good job, she will have to walk lightly around the men for she may find herself accused of being "Agringada" or "Agabachada" (Anglocized). To top this off, quite often the men will accept or allow an Anglo female to go in and tell them how to run things. The Anglo will perhaps be accepted and be allowed more freedom than the Raza woman. Through all of this one sees a discouraged Chicana woman. One that hungers and bleeds to help her people and is turned away and discouraged. What is to become of her? Will she be forced into being a skeleton in the closet that one does not want to see?

The Mexican-American movement is not that of just adults fighting the social system, but it is a total committment of a family unit living what it believes to be a better way of life in demanding social change for the benefit of mankind. When a family is involved in a human rights movement, as is the Mexican-American, there should not have to be a Woman's liberation movement within it. There should not have to be a definition of a woman's role. We should get down to the business at hand. Do we want a liberation for the Raza? Is this supposed to be a total liberation.

The woman must help liberate the man and the man must look upon this liberation with the woman at his side, not behind him, following, but alongside of him leading. The family must come up together. The Raza movement is based on Brotherhood. Que no? We must look at each other as one large family. We must look at all of the children as belonging to all of us. We must strive for the fulfillment of all as equals with the full capability and right to develop as humans. When the man can look upon "his" woman as HUMAN and with the love of BROTHERHOOD and EQUALITY, then and only then, can he feel the true meaning of liberation and equality himself. When we talk of equality in the Mexican-American movement we better be talking about TOTAL equality, beginning right where it all starts, AT HOME.....

LA RAZA AND THE MELTING POT



Our people have struggled in this country generation after generation in the belief that the American dream would someday become a reality, that the poverty and degredation which we must face day after day would change for the better.

We were told that if we stayed quiet, worked hard and learned English well enough, then someday we might be allowed to join the great American melting pot. The American melting pot makes no distinctions between race, creed or national origin, we were taught this in our schools.

But our acceptance was always postponed and "manana" became an Anglo-Saxon curse on our backs. Go slow, learn more English and salute the flag. Meanwhile there was poverty, degradation and disease, because La Raza has never been recognized as a race of human beings in this country. And if conditions have seemed to improve, the improvements may be seen through the eyes of a dog whose master has become wealthier and therefore is able to feed him a higher quality bag of bones, but our bones have very little meat.

We have worked, studied, and learned our lessons well and we can perceive that the great dream was in reality a lie and was never meant to include us. Now we are prepared to take care of ourselves, to work for our own common good and to reject the meaningless position which this society has imposed upon us. We are preparing for the day when the society which we are forced to exist in will reflect the real needs and aspirations of our people. The American Melting Pot will become an entirely different pot of stew.

We are through letting the police run amuck on our streets, beating, shooting, and black-mailing our people. We will not allow the press and politicians and big buisnessman to take our seven brothers to the gas chamber because someone allegedly shot a policeman. We, Los Siete De La Raza, can no longer stand and watch cop after cop shoot our people and then get released while at the same time seven of us, La Raza, are identified, charged , prosecuted and condemned by the press months before the trials of our brothers even begin.

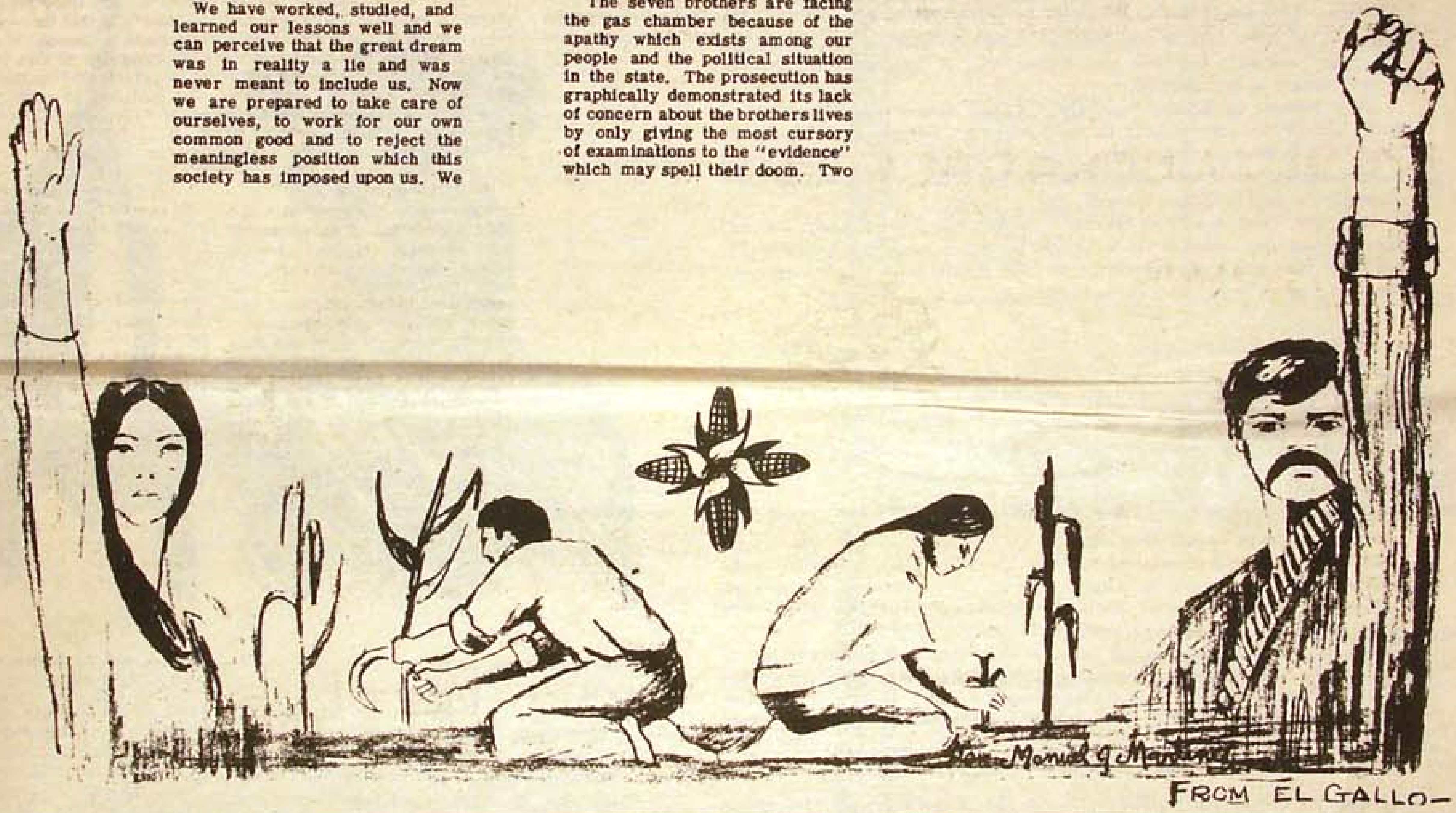
Los Siete De La Raza cannot receive a fair trial in this country because we know that they will never be tried by a group of their peers. Every attempt will be made by the racist prosecutors to exclude from jury duty all but the most Anglocized Latinos.

The seven brothers are facing the gas chamber because of the apathy which exists among our people and the political situation in the state. The prosecution has graphically demonstrated its lack of concern about the brothers lives by only giving the most cursory of examinations to the "evidence" which may spell their doom. Two of the brothers, who were in school while the killing took place are still being held on murder charges!

It is obvious that our brothers are being used by Mayor Alioto and Chief Cahill as political propaganda in order that Alioto can present himself as a tough law and order man to the voters if he runs for the governorship. We must not allow these cheap self-serving politicians to use our bodies as stepping stones in their thirst for political power. We as La Raza as well as all of the people must now make the choice of either protecting ourselves from this growing machinery of human destruction or sit around until each one of us is taken away individually.

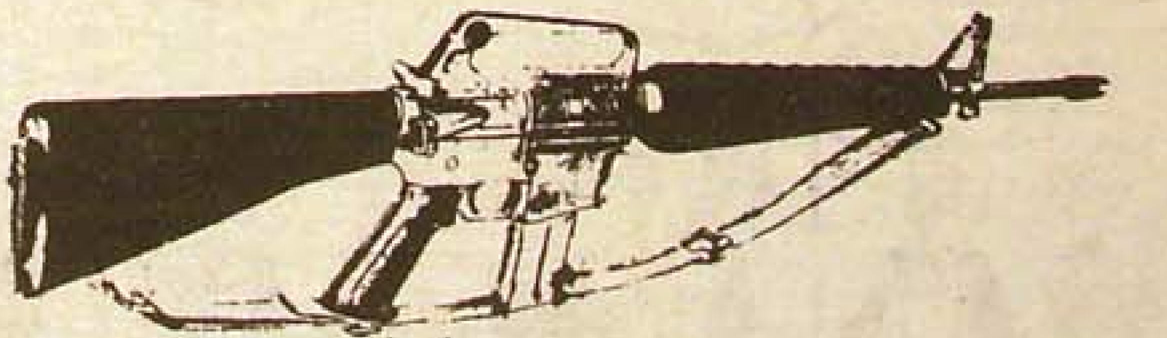
Los Siete De La Raza is committed to the struggle of basic human rights for La Raza and all peoples. We have had enough of this never ending chain of abuse lies, trickery, and powerlessness. We are committed to the people-
to serve the people
to protect the people
and to critize the people injustice towards each other.





FROM EL GALLO-

SERVE THE PEOPLE



YOUNG LORDS LIBERATE CHURCH

The Young Lords Organization took over the Armitage Avenue Methodist Church on June 11. The Church, which is in the center of YLO territory, had been used as a hangout when the YLO was still a gang. After the YLO became a political organization, we used the Church sometimes for meetings. But we needed real office space—a place where people could come to find us, and where we could take care of our business. We therefore asked the Church if we could rent space from them. For many months we had asked them, but they always turned us down.

They had no good excuse for turning us down. The Church has only about 25 to 30 members, and they only use the Church for one hour on Sunday. All the rest of the week the Church is empty.



The Church said no to us, but they didn't mind renting their space to the boys of the pig power structure. Until the YLO and other youth got them kicked out of the Church, the Joint Youth Development Committee, part of the Human Resources Commission (which files daily reports to the Mayor's office on all gangs and community organizations), had rented part of the Church for their office.

After three days of leafleting to explain the situation to our community, the YLO took over the building. We immediately set to work changing the locks on the doors, scrubbing the floors, washing down the walls and generally keeping the place free of litter, et cetera. Someone called the pigs, but after discussion between the YLO and the Church's board members the pigs were persuaded to leave.

Since then several meetings have been held between the YLO and the Church's board members. We were asking them to rent us office space or sell us the building. After a few days the board members held a press conference to announce that they will let us use the ground floor of the Church for a children's care center Monday through Friday. They said that the YLO would pay half the utility costs and bring the Church up to Building Code standards. The board will not rent us office space, but have promised that they will help us find office space in the neighborhood.

We are fixing up the basement as a day-care center. We have painted the walls and begun to collect equipment. Until the Church finds us other office space, our office is at the Church, on Armitage and Dayton.



TV is NOT Free

Who controls television? Any viewer, having been bombarded by TV commercials knows television is not free. It is paid for by sponsors, advertisers whose interests it is to sell their products. TV succeeds. People are told to buy and they do...buy, buy, buy. One of the ways our economy is propped up is by convincing people that they need a new car, new soaps, new color TV sets.

Capitalism cannot have survived without increasingly expanded markets. When there are no new people to buy the products, what happens? New needs are created, primarily by TV, in the already existing people and products are made that will break down and wear out quickly. No wonder thousands dollars are spent on a 30 second commercial.

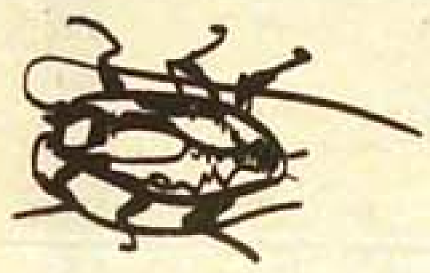
Television serves the interests of major corporations. To the wage earner, it is not a benefit, but merely a means of relieving him of his money. It is controlled, all of it, news included, by corporate power--money--monopoly capital. It is not objective facts. News is carefully sifted to aid those in power retain their power by keeping in ignorance and furnishing with false or slanted information the people, the workers, those whose labor makes this country rich.

The corporations control the people, control the government. It is their government, not a democracy, not a people's government. No politician ever gets elected without the corporation's money/influence behind him.

How can a small, rich minority convince the masses of people to support a government not operating in their interests? Propaganda is fed to the people through corporate controlled television. The power structure manages to keep us isolated, separated from each other by preaching a philosophy of individualism, as evidenced by the popularization of the Western Hero and the Super Spy, the rugged individualists, who alone win against all odds. A myth is perpetuated. Anyone can succeed in this dog eat dog society and is himself to blame if he does not.

Individualism and racism are two of the means of preventing us from uniting and finding the true cause of our problems, profit-motivated capitalism. Those in power know that if the majority of the people stopped their in-fighting, saw through the sham, refused to be divided by the false ruling class philosophy of individualism and racism, if the people united to fulfill their own needs, the people would take the power away from them. There would be revolution.

MORE COCKROACHES FOR YOUR MONEY



Do you live in the Mission?
Do you live in a nice place?
When was the last time you said "home sweet home"?
When was the last time the tub fell through the floor?
When was the last time the cockroaches backed you up against the wall?
Have you had any sleep lately or has the stomping of the rats walking on the kitchen floor kept you awake?
Will your place still be standing in the next two years?
Has the landlord raised the rent because you have too many kids or has he just kicked you out?
Do you and yours have enough to eat?
The rats (including the landlord) have enough to eat. That's because they live off the people---you and me!
They come with their fat hands to take your money for their rotten house. The rent has doubled in the last three years. This is caused by the rich businessmen that want to move all the people out for their own profit. They'll be putting a tunnel through the Mission and moving out all the people to make it a business district. They come by to take 1/3 of your pay so you can barely have enough for food for your kids. You tell him, "Why don't you fix my place a little?" And he tells you, "Next week...next month...next year."
You are not alone with this. What we have to do is get together so we can have better homes for our selves and our families.
POWER TO THE PEOPLE
FREE LOS SIETE.

THE MEDIA IS THE PIG

The picture which America has produced in its own mind of our people has traditionally been full of distortions and self serving lies. We may sing and dance gracefully as we cut each other to bits with switchblades in "West Side Story". And in that sense we are colorful, sensual but violent creatures from another planet, played by cardboard blue eyed angels--anglos buried in tons of technicolor makeup which represents the color of our skins, but never us, the real people who don't come in wide screen stereophonic sound and a musical score which is an insult to our real music and our real lives. Spicks can't make it in Hollywood.

The case of the Mission 7 is a good illustration of the perverted and insulting mentality which seeks to keep our people in a cage. The news media in alliance with self seeking politicians and their instrument of oppression, the police, are attempting to make Los Siete de La Raza into the perfect stereotypes they have created of a greasy, sadistic, murderous, "bunch of punks", to use Mayor Alioto's phrase. They are sitting as keeper, judge and executioner of our brothers and by logical extension, of all our people. They have already tried, condemned, and executed our brothers and, as far as they are concerned, the eventual trial is a mere formality--the issue has been decided and the judgement handed down.

FREE LOS SIETE—

The widow of patrolman Brodnik, in the glare of flashbulbs and TV cameras announces her belief that if capital punishment were abandoned it would provide encouragement to those who might commit this type of crime in the future. Our brothers are being made an example of, their guilt or innocence is not important, what is necessary is that the people should be taught a lesson. If a hysterical campaign of this nature had been perpetrated against someone of a different or more "respectable" background, the reactions of all fairminded people would rightfully be that the questions of guilt, innocence and punishment should be settled in a fair and impartial court of law and not in the circus atmosphere of racist hysteria which has already condemned our brothers. As far as the news media, the defenders of law and order, the TV watchers and newspaper readers are concerned, it is all very clear cut. Our brothers have been dehumanized in their eyes; they are vicious murderers, criminals and street punks. They have as much right to life and fairness in the handling of their case as cockroaches and other forms of less desirable insect life. The Martinez brothers, Jose Melendez, Jose Rios, Gary Lescallet, Nelson Rodriguez and Gio Lopez are the living stereotypes which this country in its mind has created of our youth and by logical extension of all of our people.

We know this is a false image; We know the Mission 7 are human beings, our own flesh and blood. they are as guilty as any of our children who have dared to love their people and attempted to unselvishly work for social justice and the uplifting of all La Raza.

The Mission 7 have been refused bail and is the "good people" of San Francisco have their way they will never breathe free air again or be able to embrace their families.

Our brothers have been brutalized and mistreated while in jail, this is nothing new, it is to be expected-- it is a very old story which has recurred constantly throughout the history of La Raza in the New World. Perhaps it has happened to your young son who has been arrested for not moving quickly enough to satisfy a racist cop's whim, or your nephew who was arrested on one trumped up charge or another and perhaps killed while "resisting arrest". You know what these words mean, just another "spic" getting out of line-our history is full of many such painful memories and every one of us have a favorite story of abuse and maltreatment at the hands of Law and Order. It is nothing new, but it must and will stop. Basta! I'm sick and tired of our children being degraded in their schools and made to feel ashamed of their parents, their language, their food, themselves. We have had enough and our voices will be heard!



From Wildcat

LOS SIETE DE LA RAZA







¡AMNISTIA!



"A BUNCH OF PUNKS", Mayor Alioto has called the Seven--he is already sure they are guilty. A gang of hoodlums, intimidating merchants, the Chronicle wrote about them a week before the incident which left one cop dead, another wounded, and seven of our young men charged with murder.

I guess they looked like punks to Alioto--they had brown skin, and all of them didn't speak English very well. But I know them, and that is not the kind of guys that they are.

The two Martinez brothers were in the same situation as a lot of people who come to the "land of opportunity" and find out that the only opportunity they have is to be a High School dropout. Either they have trouble in school because of cultural differences or language problems, or they graduate to become servants to the so-called "real" mericans. At the time I met Mario Martinez, one of the Seven of our race who are accused of killing the cop, he was about to drop out of Jefferson High School. He just didn't dig the school. He had trouble with the teachers and the counsellors. He couldn't speak English too well. And he couldn't see what good an education would do him. ~~All he knew~~ was that to get anywhere in this country, you needed money--so he was ready to drop out and get a job.

We were recruiting for the "College Readiness Program" at the College of San Mateo, and we persuaded him to try it. The College Readiness Program takes in students like Mario, who don't have the grades or are about to drop out, and tries to give them financial aid, adequate counselling-counselling which understands OUR problems---and a ful-time tutor to help develop the reading, studying, listening and library skills that the public school system never bother to teach him.

More than this, we tell our young men to go back to our people. He must not be the only one to profit from his education--and he must also recruit his brothers and sisters for the program. Mario, one of these "punks", went to summer school at the College of San Mateo in 1968, and now he even dreamed of going on and becoming a doctor.

I went to Mario's house frequently as his tutor, and met his family and his brother Rudolfo Martinez--another of the Seven. He was working as a waiter in the Olympic Club in San Francisco then--and he had some stories to tell about the racism he had to put up with from these great, rich men. At the same time he was going to school at city College of San Francisco. But he couldn't hack it--he was thinking of dropping out. I told him to come up to the College of San Mateo, we'd see if we could get him some financial support. I told him it wouldn't be much, and he'd have to change his style some. I told him I used to be a good dresser myself for a while--but I decided to go back to school, and to use the little money I could get to feed myself--and to feed my brain. Rodolfo Martinez also enterred CSM last Fall. Mario was mainly responsible for Rodolfo's deciding to continue in school. He was also in charge of recruiting students from the Mission and from Daly City. Last summer he recruited 30 or more, including two more of the Seven, gio Lopez and Nelson Rodriquez. Like most of our people, they had been destined to become servants in the factories of America's white ruling class, or nameless victims of hunger, unemployment and police repression.

All of these brothers realized that the only way to eliminate the suffering of their people is by helping each other and working together to educate their brothers and sisters. They formed COBRA--the Coalition of the Brown Race for Action--and in its first school year, the organization succeeded in forcing the College to hire five more counsellors for the program, to hire more black, frown, and yellow skinned faculty members, and to begin an Ethnic Studies Division. The Ethnic Studies Division will begin operation this Fall.

These young men--now accused of murder--continued to struggle for our community. They were at San Francisco State, helping to open up the school to our people, and to end racist education. They were working with our students in the strike at Mission High School. It is a funny thing. They keep telling us not to drop out of school; to get a good education. But when Mario and Rodolfo and Gio and Nelson went back to their people, to talk to their brothers on the street about going back to school so they could serve the people--then they became a special target of the cops.

Jose Rios, Gary Lescallet and Jose Melendez -- three more of the Seven -- had also decided to go back to school, and they were working with still others, advising them of their rights, urging them to work for our people. Now all seven of them, fighters for La Raza, are in the Man's prisons.

I don't know exactly what happened in front of the Rios home on May 1st. But I do know that the Chronicle and Mayor Alioto has called these fine brothers "punks" and "hoodlums". Do they sound like "punks" to you? Who are we going to believe?



LA RAZA Y LA MELTING POT

Nuestra gente ha luchado en este país generación tras generación bajo la creencia que el "sueño Americano" algún día sería una realidad, que la pobreza y la degradación que tenemos que enfrentar día tras día cambiaría para mejor.

Nos han dicho que si permanecemos quietos, trabajamos duro, y aprendemos Inglés subsistemente bien, entonces algún día talvez se nos permitrá pertenecer al pueblo Norteamericano. En la escuela nos enseñaron que en Norteamerica no habian distinciones entre razas, creencias, u origenes nacionales.

Pero siempre nos postergaron, y "mañana" se transformó en una maldición Anglo-Sajona; vaya despacio, aprenda más Inglés y salude a la bandera. Para mientras siguio la pobreza, la degradación, y la enfermedad, porque la Raza nunca ha sido reconocida coma una raza de seres humanos en este país. Y si las condiciones parecen haber mejorado, el mejoramineto puede ser visto de punto de vista de un perro cuyo dueño se ha hecho mas rico y consequentemente puede darle de comer mejores huesos, pero nuestros huesos tienen el mínimo de carne.

Hemos trabajado, estudiado, y hemos aprendido nuestras lecciones bien y podemos darnos cuenta que la gran ilusión en realidad era una mentira y no era para nostros.

Ahora estamos preparados para defendernos, para trabajar por nuestro bien común, y para descartar la posición sin sentido que esta sociedad ha impuesto sobre nosotros. Nos estamos preparando para el día en que la sociedad en la cual estamos obligados a existir reflejará las necesidades reales y las aspiraciones de nuestra gente. El "melting pot" Norteamericano sera una caldera enteramente diferente.

Nostros, los Siete de la Raza, ya no podemos quedarno mirando a un policía y otro policía que matan a nuestra gente y en seguida salen libres mientras que al mismo tiempo, a siete de los nuestros nosotros, La Raza, nos identifican, nos acusan, nos persiguen y nos condena la prensa muchos meses antes de que empieze el juicio.

Los Siete de la Raza no pueden conseguir un juicio justo en este país por que nunca seran juzgados por un grupo de sus pares. Esto lo sabemos muy bien. Los fiscales racistas harán un gran esfuerzo, con gran empeño, para excluir del jurado a todo Latino menos los Latinos más Americanizados. Los Siete hermanos podrían terminar en la camara de gas a causa de la apatia que existe en nuestra gente y a causa de la situacion politica en el Estado de California actualmente.

La fiscalía ha demostrado graficamente su falta de interés por las vidas de los hermanos al dar solamente una mirada pasajera a la "evidencia" que puede significar su condena.

Estamos hartos de dejar que la policia corra desatada por nuestras calles, asotando, disparando, y sobornando a nuestra gente. No permitiremos que la prensa, los politicos y los negociantes lleven a nuestros siete hermanos a la cámara de gas porque "parece que alguien mató a un policía".

Dos de los hermanos, que estaban en el colejio durante el delito todavia estan presos, acusados de asesinato!

Es evidente que el Alcalde Alioto y el Jefe de la Policía Cahill estan utilizando a nuestros hermanos como propaganda política para que Alioto pueda presentarse frente a los votantes como un hombre de ley y de orden si decide presentarse de candidato a gobernador.

No podemos permitir que estos políticos egoistas usen nuestros cuerpos como puentes para satisfacer su sed por el poder politico.

Nostros, La Raza, y todo el pueblo, tenemos que escojer; o nos protegemos contra esta máquina de destrucción humana, o nos sentamos a esperar hasta que nos lleven uno por uno a la destrucción.

Los Siete de la Raza estamos consagrados a la lucha por los derechos humanos para La Raza y para todos los pueblos.

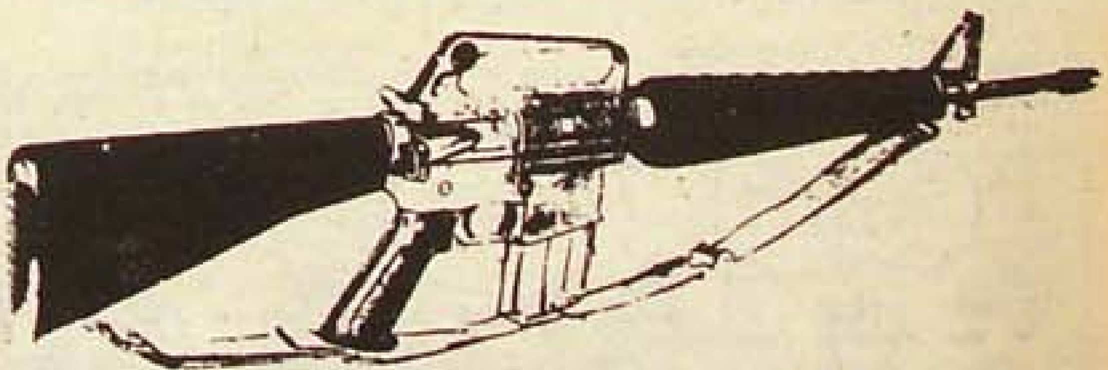
Ya nos basta esta acomulación de abusos, mentiras, engaños e impotencia. Estamos consagrados al pueblo.

A servir al pueblo
A proteger al pueblo
y a criticar la injusticia de los unos contra los otros.



FROM THE PENINSULA OBSERVER

Sirva Al Pueblo



IGLESIA LIBERADA POR EL YLO

Los Young Lords ocuparon la iglesia metodista de Armitage y Dayton el 11 de junio. Esta iglesia, en el centro del territorio del YLO, habia sido usada como un lugar de reunion cuando el YLO todavia era una pandilla. Despues de, la politizacion del YLO, contimuamos a usar la iglesia de vez en cuando para algunas reuniones. Pero necesitavamos un lugar para una oficina, un lugar donde el publo nos pudiera encontrar en cualquier momento, donde pudieramos atender nuestros asuntos.

Decidimos pedirle a la iglesia que nos alquilara espacio. Durante varios meses les repetimos nuestra oferta, pero siempre nos rechazaban. Nos rechazaban sin razon, pues la congregacion unicamente cuenta con 25 a 30 personas y el plantel es usado solamente por una hora los domingos. El resto del dia, y de la semana, el edificio permanece vacio.

La iglesia rehuzo alquilarnos espacio, pero cuando el JYDC (Joint Youth Development Commission) les pidio espacio, no hubo ningun problema. Esta agencia mantiene un registro de todas las pandillas y de todas las organizaciones del pueblo, y recopila reportes diarios. Si no hubiera sido por el YLO y otras organizaciones, el JYDC todavia estaria ahi. Nosotros los sacamos de la iglesia.

Escribimos un bolante para explicar nuestra posicion a la comunidad, y por tres dias nos encargamos de distribuirlo. El tercer dia, ocupamos el edificio. Inmediatamente cambiamos los candados y las chapas, limpiamos los pisos y las paredes, establecimos una politica de limpieza, et cetera. Alguien llamo a la policia, pero despues de unas conversaciones entre el YLO y la mesa de directores de la iglesia, se fueron.

Desde entonces el YLO y los directores de la iglesia se han reunido varias veces. Les pedimos que nos vendieran el edificio o que nos rentaran espacio. Despues de algunas dias, los directores llamaron una conferencia de prensa y anunciaron que nos permitirian el uso del sotano de lune a viernes para una guarderia de ninos. Los gastos de electricidad, gas, agua, et cetera serian compartidos igualmente por el YLO y la iglesia, y el edificio seria rehabilitado para poder satisfacer las normas del codigo de construcciones. Los directores no nos alquilaran espacio pero nos han prometido ayuda para que podamos encontrar una oficina en el barrio.

Hemos comenzado a renovar el sotano para que sea una guarderia: Las paredes han sido pinatadas, y ya tenemos algo de equipo para los ninos. Nuestra oficina se encuentra en la iglesia, hasta que encuentren un sitio mas apropiado.





TV No es Gratis

Quién controla la televisíon? Cualquier persona ha sido bombardeada con los anuncios de la T.V. sabe la televisíon no es gratis. Esta costeada por los patrocinadores, las agencias de publicidad cuyo intereses está principal en vender sus productos. La T.V. tiene exito. A la gente se le dice que compre tal cosa y izas!...van y lo compran. Comprar, comprar, comprar...

Una de las maneras para apuntalar esta economia es en convencer a la gente de que necesitan un nuevo coche, nuevas marcas de jabones, nuevos aparatos de T.V. en colores, etc.

El capitalismo no hubiera podido sobrevivir sin un aumento constante de mercados. Que ocurre sí no hay gente para comprar los productos? Enseguida se inventan nuevas necesidades, principalmente a traves de la television, para la misma gente de siempre y se fabrican productos que apenas se usan se gastan o se echan a perder con una rapidez asombrossa. No en balde se gastan miles de dólares en un anuncio de 30 segundos.

La indústria de la televisíon sirve los intereses de las corporaciones mas importantes. Para el trabajador la T.V. no constituye un beneficio, sinó tan solo un metodo de sacarle del dinero. La T.V. esta controlada totalmente, incluyendo las noticias, por el inmenso poder de las corporaciones -- el dinero--el capital monopolista. No da la verdad objetiva. Las noticias son cuidadosamente seleccionadas y matizadas para ayudar y mantener en el poder a los que lo tienen y en la ignorancia a la gente suministrandoles informacion falsa o parcial a los trabajadores y a todos aquellos cu-

Las corporaciones no solo controlan al pueblo, tambien controlan el gobierno. Este es su gobierno, no una democracia, ni un gobierno popular. Ningún polítíco jamas sale electo sin el apoyo monetario y la influencia de alguna corporacion.

Como es posible que una pequeña minória riquísima ponvenzca a las masas del pueblo a continuar apoyando a un gobierno que no opera en el interes de este último ? Al pueblo se le alimenta con la propagunda que sale de la televisíon controlada por las corporaciones. La estructura del poder nos maneja para mantenernos aislados separados entre si, predicando constantemente una filosofía individualista, como se puede ver en la popularidad del Héroe del Oeste y el Super Espia, individualistas recios, que dado el caso se enfrentan solos contra todas las adversidades. Asi se perpetua un mito. Pues cualquiera puede triunfar en esta sociedad donde rige la ley de la jungla y si fracasa el unico culpable es el mismo.

Este individualismo asi como el racismo existente son dos de los medios que nos previenen de unirnos y de hallar la verdadera causa a nuestros problemas: el capitalisma motivado por el afan del lucro. Los que tienen el poder ahora saben muy bien de que si la mayoria de la gente dejara de pelearse entre si, y viera el engano y se negara a dejarse dividir y confundid por la falsa filosofia del individualismo y del racismo de la clas e dirigente, si la gente se uniera de verdad para resolver y llenar sus necesidades, el pueblo tomaría el poder en sus manos. Entonces si habría una revolucíon.

La Prensa Es El Puerco

La imagen de nuestra gente tradicionalmente creada en la mentalidad Norteamericana por los propios Norteamericanos esta desfigurada y llena de mentiras egoistas.

Podemos bailar y cantar graciosamente y al mismo tiempo hacernos pedazos con cuchillos en "West Side Story", y en ese sentido somos seres pintorescos, sensuales, y violentos de otro planeta, interpretados por angeles anglos de carton con ojos azules enterrados en montañas de maquillaje technicolor qué representa el color de nuestra piel, pero nunca a nosotros, el pueblo verdadero que no aparece en la pantalla ancha ni en el sonido estereofónico ni en la partitura musical que es un insulto a nuestra musica verdadera y a nuestra s vidas verdaderas. Los "spics", como nos dicen, no consiguen nada en Hollywood.

El caso de Los Siete de La Raza es un buen ejemplo de la mentalidad perversa y ofensiva que hace todo lo que puede por mantener a nuestra gente enjaulada. La prensa, en conjunto con politicos egocéntricos y su instrumento de opresión, la policia, están haciendo lo posible por presentarle al público una imagen de los Siete que coincide con el perfecto estereotipo creado por ellos, del "monton de maleantes" grasientos, sadicos, y asesinos, como dice el Alcalde Alioto.

Se han delegado el role de cuidador, juez, y verdugo de nuestros hermanos, y , por estensíon lodador, juez, y verdugo de nuestros hermanos, y, por extensíon logica, de toda nuestra gente. Ya han juzgado, condenado, y ejecutado a el juicio verdadero no es mas que una formalidad: el caso ha sido decidido y la sentencia ya se dío.

La viuda del policia Brodnik, a la luz de camaras de televisíon y camaras fotográficas anuncio que en su opinion, si la pena de muerte fuese abandonada, sería una forma de dar apoyo a los que en el futura podrían cometer tales crimenes.

A nuestros hermanos los están usando como ejemplo, su culpabilidad y inocencia no importa; lo necesario es que la gente aprenda la leccíon. Si una campana histerica de esta naturaleza se hubiese hecho contra alguien de un origen distinto, mas "respetable", la reaccion de cualquier persona justa habria sido que las questiones de culpabilidad, inocencia, y castigo se deberian de decidir en un tribunal justo e imparcial y no en la atmosfera de circo de una histéria racista que ya ha condenado a nuestros hermanos. En cuanto a la prensa, los defensores de la ley y del orden, el que mira la televisíon y el que lee el diario, todo esta muy claro.

A nuestros hermanos, en los ojos de esta gente, ya no les pertenece el termino "humano", porque son asesinos terribles, criminales y bandidos callejeros. No tienen mas derecho de vivir y de justicia en su juicio que las cucarachas y otras formas menos aceptables de insectos.

Los hermanos Martinez, Jose Melendez, Jose Rios, Gary Lescallet, Nelson Rodriguez, y Gio Lopez son los estereotipos vivientes de la imagen creada en la mentalidad Norteamericana de nuestra juventud y logicamente de todos nosotros. Nosotros sabemos que esta imagen es falsa. nosotros sabemos que Los Siete son seres humanos, nuestra propia carne sangre. Son tan culpables como cualquiera de nuestros hijos que se hubiera atrevido a querer a su gente y que hubiera tratado de trabajar generosamente por la justicia social y para levantar a toda La Raza.

A Los Siete se les ha rehusado la fianza, y si la "gente Buena" de San Francisco salen con la suya, nunca jamás respiran el aire de la libertad, ni podran jamas abrazar de nuevo a sus familiares. A nuestros hermanos los han brutalizado y maltratado en la carcel, pero esto no es nada nuevo ya lo esperabamos, es una histórla viejisima que se ha repitido constantamente en la história de La Raza en el Nuevo Mundo.

Talvez ha ocurrido que a su hijo lo hayan llevado preso por no moverse lo sufisientemente rápido para satisfacer el antojo de un policia racista, o a su sobrino a quien lo sentenciaron con alguna evidencia fabricada o posiblemente a otro que lo mataron por que se resistío a que lo cojieran preso; Ud. sabe el significado de estas palabras, no es mas otro "spic" que se porto como no se debe; nuestra história esta llena de muchas dolorosas memorias semejantes y cada uno de nosotros tiene algun cuento favorito de algun abuso o maltrato a manos de la ley y del orden. No es nada nuevo; pero se tiene que acabar y se va a acabar. Basta! Ya no aguanto más y estoy harto de la humilacion a la cual someten a nuestros hijos en los colegios y a que los hagan sentirse avergonzados de sus padres, de su idioma, de su comida y de ellos mismos.

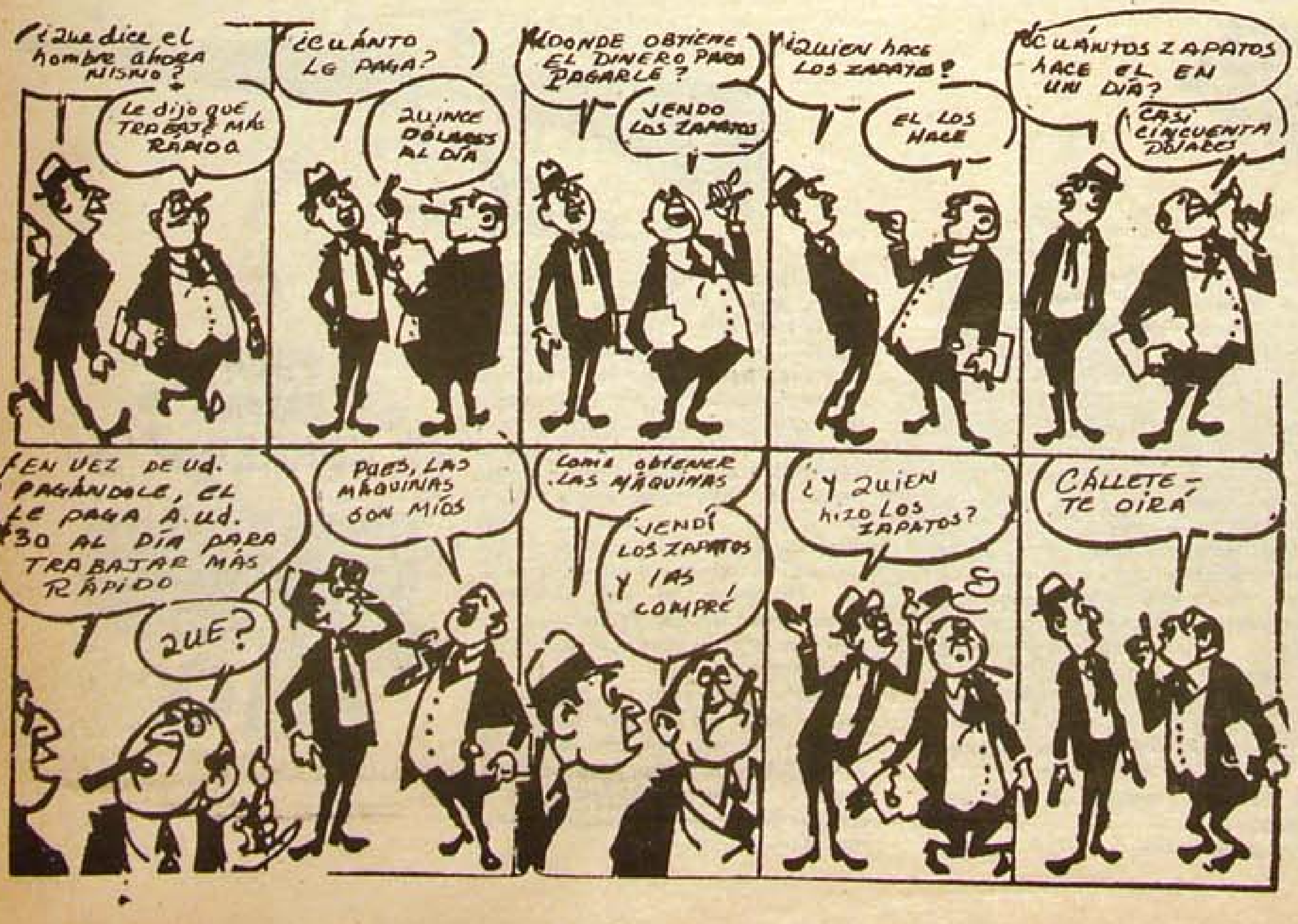
Ya es demasiado y nuestras voces tienen que ser escuchadas.

Mas Cucarachas Para Su Dinero



Vive usted en la Misíon?
Vive usted en un lugar decente?
Cuando fue la última vez que el vano se cayó a travéz del piso?
Cuanto tiempo ha sido que usted ha dicho , "casa querida casa"?
Cuanto fue la ultima vez que las cucarachas lo tenían a usted en contra de la pared?
Ha dormido usted? No lo han dejado el galopeo de los ratones en la cocina.
Puede su casa estar permanente en los dos siguentes anos?
Ha subido la renta el dueño por que usted tiene muchos muchachos o le han hecho para afuera?
Tiene usted y los suyos bastante para comer?
Los ratones (incluyendo el dueno), tienen bastante para comer. Eso es porque viene de la gente! Usted y yo!
Vienen con sus manos gordas para quitarle el dinero para su maldita casa. La renta se ha doblado en los tres ultimos anos. Esto es hecho por el rico hombre de negocio que quiere mover a toda la gente para su propia convinencia.
Van a construir un tunel por la Misíon y a mover a toda la gente para hacer la Mision un districto financiro.
Vienen a quitarle 1/3 de su pago para que tenga apenas para sus ninos. Le dice usted,"Porque no arregla usted mi lugar un poco? Y el le dice "La semana que viene--el mes que viene--el ano que viene."
Usted no esta solo con esto. Lo que tenemos que hacer es juntarnos para tener mejores casas para nosotros y nuestras familias.

Libertad para Los Siete



De Wildcat